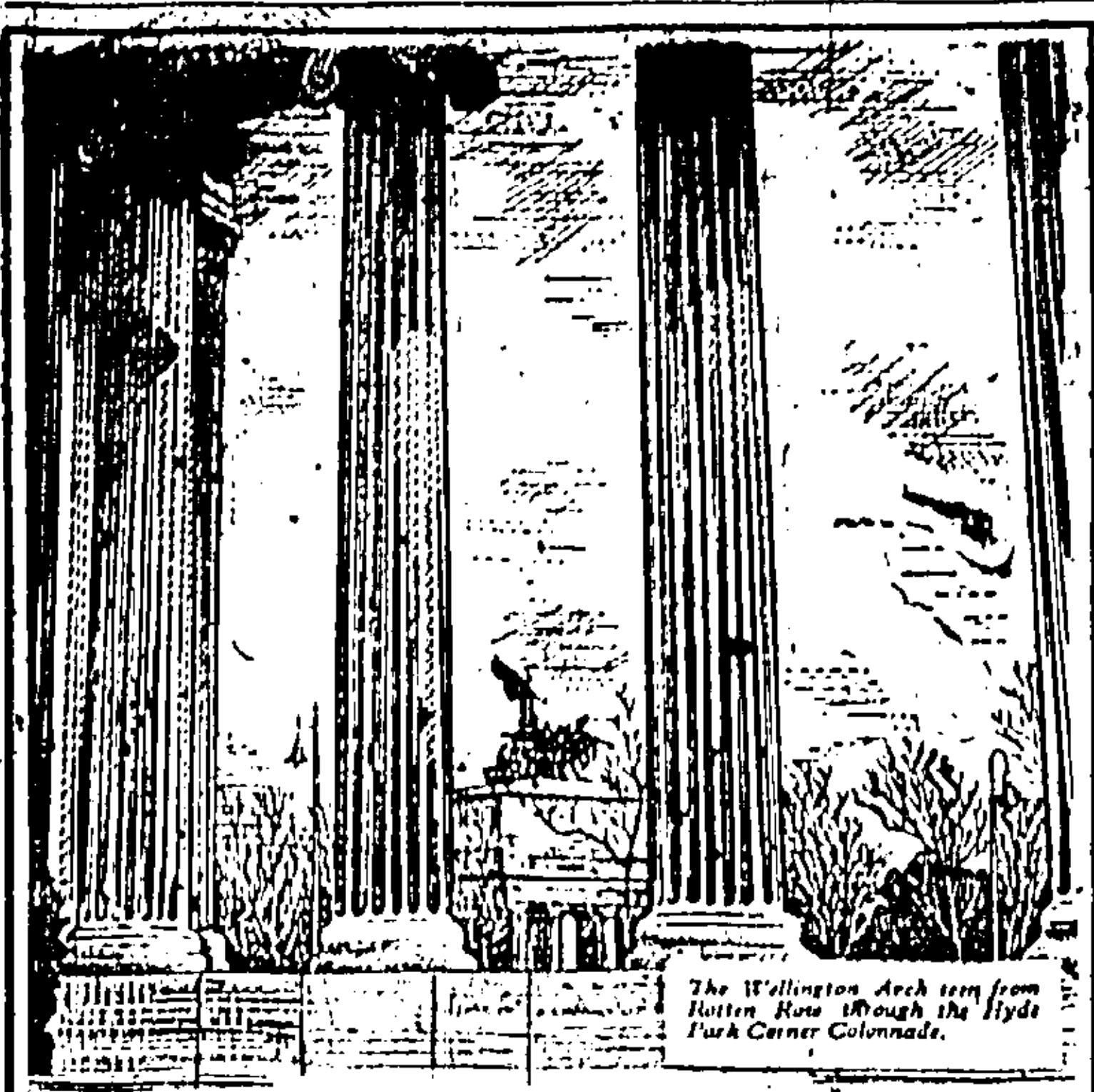




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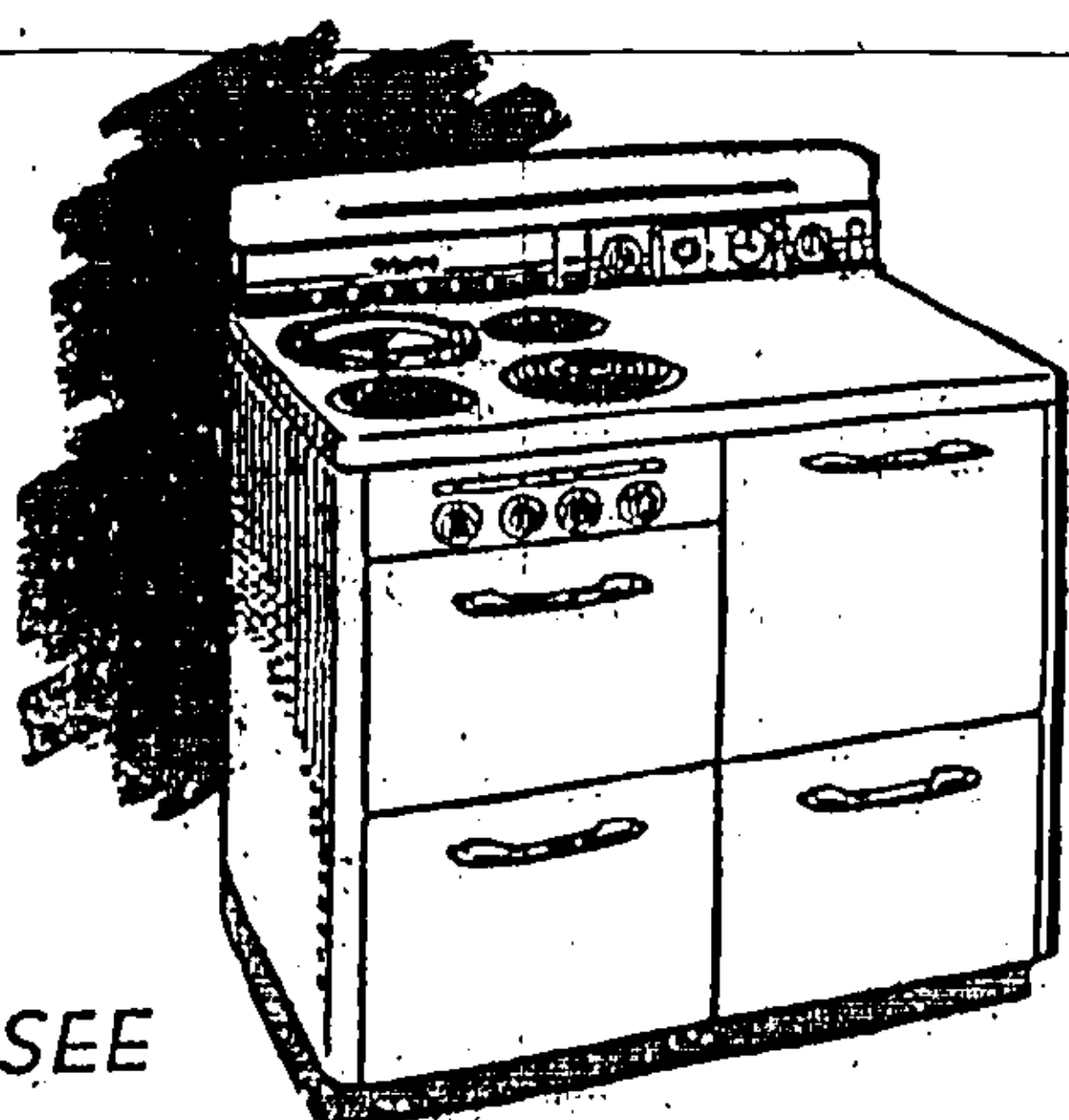


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SHIP TO ACCOMMODATE AMERICAN EVACUEES

American evacuees from South China, who have no place to stay in the Colony, will be accommodated on the American hospital ship *Reposo* which will arrive here in a few days. This information was revealed by Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger, Commanding United States Naval Forces in the Western Pacific, at a Press conference yesterday.

Admiral Badger said the United States Navy was assisting in the evacuation, at the request of the American Consular authorities. He had been up in Canton discussing the subject with the Embassy Group there.

The reason for seeking the assistance of the Navy was not an emergency, said the Admiral, but a lack of land accommodation in Hong Kong, which was already so overcrowded. There are about 120 American citizens in Chungking, who wish to leave. They have transport facilities to bring them down to Hong Kong, but the Hong Kong authorities will not let them clear through this port unless they can sign a statement that they have a place to stay upon arrival, pending means being found to take them out of the Colony.

It was for this reason that the *Reposo* was commissioned to serve as a sort of floating hostel for these evacuees. She has accommodation for 1,100 people, and though it cannot be called palatial, there are the usual comforts and amenities, and plenty of food, including fresh American vegetables.

No Evacuation Ship

The Admiral made it clear that the *Reposo* is not an evacuation ship, but only a stop-over for evacuees until means of evacuation by commercial liners or planes are available. "Of course, in the event of an emergency, the *Reposo* could be used as an evacuation ship, but we don't expect any such contingency," said Admiral Badger. While staying on board the *Reposo*, evacuees will be charged commercial rates for accommodation.

Admiral Badger said evacuation will be left to commercial facilities with which the Navy has no intention of competing. To this end, arrangements have been made with the American President Line and the United States Line, not only to take full lists of passengers in the regular accommodation, but over and above, to rig up additional accommodation, and in all cases to place evacuees on the priority list. In charge of the Naval Evacuation Group is Captain Robert L. Kavenagh, who supervised the Task Group in Shanghai evacuating Americans from the North. He will be operating from the American destroyer *Duncan*, which will be here in a few days. "We do not expect to run into any difficulties with our evacuation plans for South China, as nearly all who wanted to leave have already left, and the remainder are mostly those who have no intention of pulling out," said Admiral Badger.

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Chinese Feeling

Sir,—In common with many other Chinese born in Hong Kong, I deeply resent the statement made by two Reform Club members that when the British first took over this "barren rock" it was peopled by pirates and cut-throats.

My own family has lived within what is now British-administered territory for 25 generations—since about the time that William the Conqueror landed in Britain!

Far from being desperadoes of the type envisaged by these gentlemen in their gross flights of imagination, we have given of loyalty and land, locally—although we unfortunately lost them when the territory changed hands.

As ancestral tablets in our village home will show, the males of our family were people of culture—one married a Princess of the Imperial Court and some had scholastic attainments of the highest rank in the Imperial examinations held in that Court in Peking.

While the face of the Island today may have been "barren and rocky"—on account of its black volcanic exposure in winter—the Southern slopes of the Island were dotted with habitations, and villages as well as that of the mainland which is now under British rule, and the people were mostly officials, farmers and gentry with the usual refinement of the South. The latter not requiring deep water for their craft, were quite content with the sheltered facilities available at such warm Southern localities as Aberdeen.

Here there were of course no pirates—only a few foreign smuggling and opium craft patronised Hong Kong in those early days, regarding it as a safe refuge where they might wash out their loot with their valuable "merchandise" without fear of molestation.

Apart from the gratuitous insult—flung by these two former persons on the face of the people who have been educated residents of Hong Kong since times when the speakers' forebears were most probably decorating themselves with woad in some British forest preserve!

It is a pity that Chinese citizens do not have a sufficiently deep interest in the welfare of this Colony today to be allowed a vote.

After all, we have been here a very long time, much longer than any of these "Johnnies-come-lately" who rail and rant against us, and the soil of Hong Kong has built up our flesh and blood for generations.

Even if we do not all possess "valid British passports" (and these are not so easily obtained as might be imagined) the fact that we may be still nominally good nationals of China does not prevent us from being equally good citizens of Hong Kong, and ally alive to the interests of this colony and the needs of its population, is the way of a more efficient administration than that prevailing at present.

We would like to see capable, just and honest Britons heading the legislation here with which we have all our lives to deal, and under whose protection we are happy to live and prosper. (Needless to say, we prefer the genuine British to those "more British than the British".)

Even if ourselves ineligible to hold office is it too much to ask that we who have lived in and with our children the British pioneers, built up Hong Kong into what it is today, the second port of the Empire, should be allowed the privilege of a vote as some small reward for our share in the labours faithfully carried out which have proved so fruitful?

We do feel that the giving of this small amount of voice to us, the real Hong Kong born, will do no harm to anyone and may indeed do a great deal to bolster the flagging morale of those who have arrogated themselves have even arrogated a little regard in our loyalty through being for so long perpetually ignored in all representations by the powers that be.

Yours truly,
T. W. GORDON HARMON
Public Relations Officer

GIRL VOCALIST TO SING TODAY

With the civil war going on in China at full swing, the Colony is now crowded with many, talented Northerners of all walks of life. Among them is a 24-year-old, lyric dramatic soprano vocalist.

Miss Annie Chow graduated from the law school of Soochow University, but, apparently, she preferred musical notes to laws, she subsequently took advanced musical training in the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. After graduating from the conservatory, she made herself known to many music lovers in Shanghai.

Two months ago, Miss Chow came down to Hong Kong. Together with the well-known lyric tenor, Mr. Jamson Wong, Miss Chow will appear in a musical concert tonight at the roof garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

The concert which will start at 8 p.m. will consist of songs, violin and mandolin solos. Other musicians taking part in the concert include: Mr. Henry Melleser, Mrs. Melleser, Mrs. Nora Miao, Miss Tu Xian-sen, and Miss Bertha Lelcke-Hempel.

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First Ship Back From Yingkow

The first ship to arrive here from the Chinese Communist-held Manchurian port of Yingkow, was the British steamer *Sing Soon* Loo.

In an interview by the "China Mail" yesterday, the crews of the 800-ton freighter, or said that, Yingkow was a sad looking place.

One Chinese officer said that on their arrival at the port, the authorities did not permit any one of the crew to go ashore and also the ship had to be anchored in the harbour.

All wireless sets and arms were sealed by the Chinese Reds who boarded her immediately after her arrival.

On Labour Day, the Communist authorities at Yingkow urged the skipper of the freighter to decorate her with flags but the ship's master declined on grounds that the latter had treated his crew like convicts without authorising shore visits.

Reds Give In

It was not until a few days later that the Reds finally gave in and allowed Chinese crew to land on Yingkow. All foreigners were politely told to be accompanied by Red policemen if shore visits were necessary.

In the dock area where the ship was later permitted to approach and tied along a barge, traces of damage were still evident.

Factories are still there, but no smoke came out of their large stacks. Some of the larger factories where once hundreds of defeated Nationalist soldiers were billeted, were now nothing more than heaps of twisted iron frame and ugly skeletons.

The streets of Yingkow were filled with uniformed Red soldiers, one engineer said most of these soldiers were mercenaries, asked if Yingkow had any newspaper, the crew said

that the only newspaper, "North-eastern Daily," was printed in Mukden. Like other Red papers, the "North-eastern Daily" carried practically no news at all.

People Reticent

While on shore visit, a group of deck hands said, they tried to talk to some natives but to their surprise most of them kept mum and ignored the sailors' friendly overtures.

Reds in Manchuria have their currency. The Chinese People's Northeastern currency or the Tung Pei Bank of China notes were the only money used in Manchuria. The official rate of exchange for these notes was HK\$1 to \$60,000 in Northeastern currency.

One may have his pockets filled with these Red notes but soon he will not know what to do with them, one aged sailor said. The reason was that there was nothing one could buy there.

During the ship's 10-day stay in Yingkow harbour, the Reds were friendly to the crew only once. That was on May 1, International Labour Day.

On that day the Communist invited a few of the sailors ashore and took them to see several propaganda stage performances.

Judging by the appearance of average civilians, the sailors added, life under Red rule must be pretty tough. The sailors also said that most civilians preferred Kuomintang rule to Red discipline which is very strict.

The ss. *Sing Soon* Loo arrived here yesterday morning with about 700 tons of soyabean. She had three European officers, 10 Chinese officers and crew and 12 Malayan sailors.

FRANCIS XAVIER'S ANNIVERSARY

The first commemoration of the fourth centenary of St. Francis Xavier's landing on Japan will be held at the Club Lusitano, on May 30, at 6.30 p.m.

Guest speaker at the meeting will be the Reverend Father F. Cronin of the Hong Kong University. Dr. Olinio de Souza, President of the Science section of the Portuguese Institute in India, will be in the chair.

All speeches will be dedicated to St. Francis Xavier's works in the Far East. Among those to be invited for the meeting will be Bishop Ramon de Almeida, and Bishop Valente of the Colony.

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Beach Picnic, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m. (to Silverstrand Beach).
Lawn Bowls, league matches, at all clubs.
Royal Artillery, Regimental All Rank Dance, Gun Club Hall, 8 p.m.
Victoria Recreation Club swimming gala, 9.30 p.m.
HK Stage Club presents "Quiet Week-end," Chinn Fleet Club Theatre, 9 p.m.
Open Air Cinema performance, at Victoria Recreation Club, Soekampoo, 8.45 p.m.
Unveiling of War Memorial, at Diocesan Boys' School, 4 p.m.
HK Yacht Club monthly dance, Kellett Island, 9 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

HK Art Club, Sketching Party, members to assemble at the Kowloon Jordan Hotel, Vehicular ferry wharf, 2.20 p.m.
The H. Classical concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, Talbot House, 8.20 p.m.
Diocesan Centenary Service, St. John's Cathedral, 7.30 p.m.
Talk on "A Serviceman Abroad" by Mr. P. Addison, European YMCA, 8.45 p.m.
Beach Picnic, European YMCA, to Silverstrand Beach, 2.30 p.m.
Opening of HK Gun Club, at Kwai Chung, 7-mile Castle Peak Road, 3 p.m.

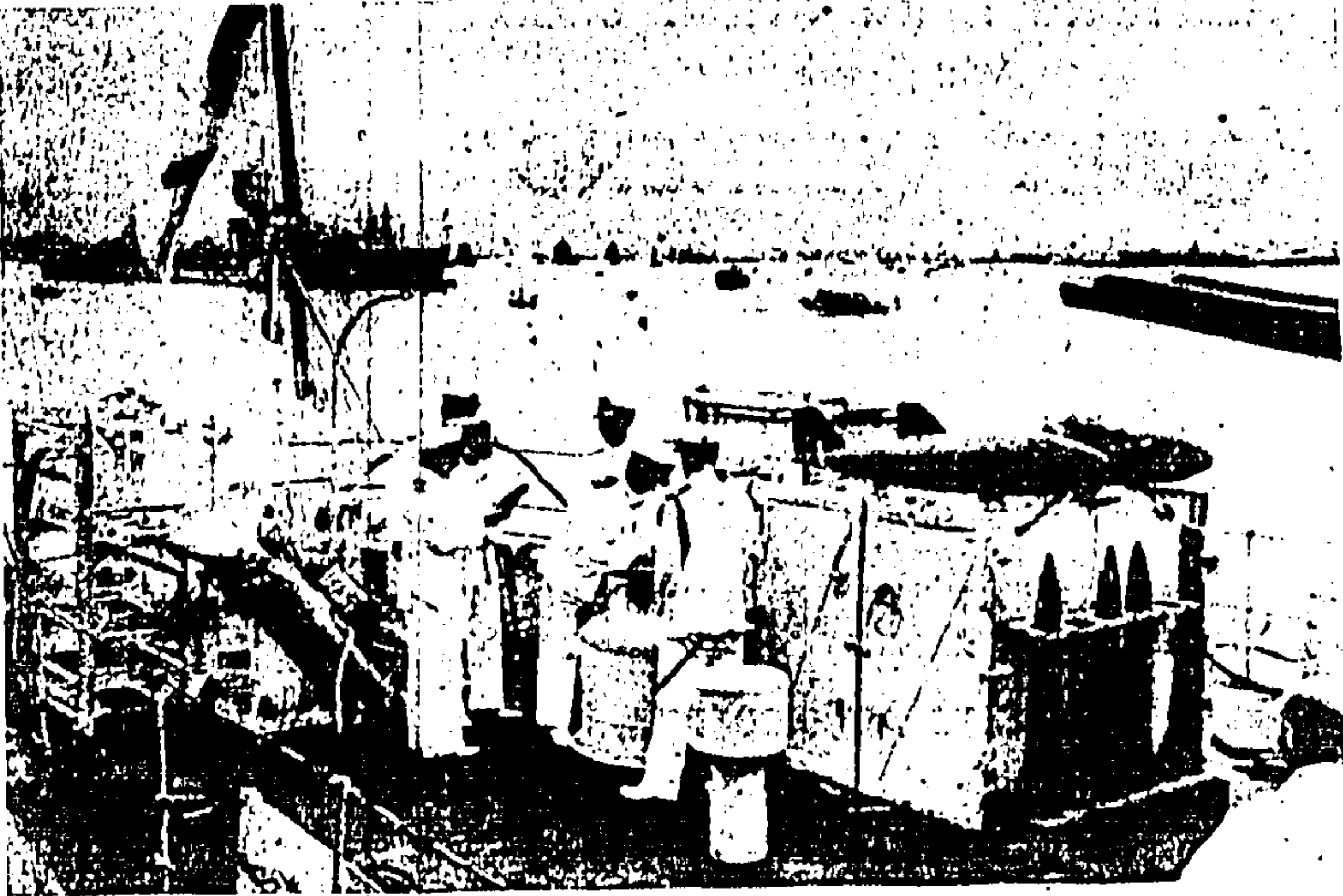
MONDAY

Cocktail Party to meet the new Colonial Secretary Mr. J. F. Nicoll, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 6 p.m.
Commemoration of 400th anniversary of St. Xavier's arrival in Japan, at Lushino Club, Tee house Street, 6.30 p.m.

UNSTAMPED CHEQUES

The Chase Bank and the American Express Company, Inc. have been authorised under the Stamp Ordinance to compound for the payment of duty on unstamped cheques.

HMS Mendip Returned



HMS Mendip was handed back to the Royal Navy by the Chinese Government at the Royal Naval Dockyard yesterday. Picture above shows Commodore Yang Yuan-chung, Commodore Robertson, and Captain Tseng (Commander of the destroyer) after the handing over ceremony. ("China Mail" Photo)

CATC Losing Business Because Of Reds

The Central Air Transportation Corporation has lost more than 70 per cent of its business since the tide of the Chinese civil war turned in favour of the Reds, Mr. Kwan Wing, local manager of the airline, said yesterday.

With Shanghai taken by the Communists, Mr. Kwan added, the CATC has lost its main source of income, but they are not worried by the future. It was only a little over six months ago that the airline was maintaining most of its routes throughout China proper and the far-off province of Chinese Turkestan. Today the airline has only a few routes in operation.

However, the airline management is not pessimistic about it. Proof of this is the airline's purchase of six new "Convair" transports from the United States.

The first of the new "Convairs" will arrive here from Kunming, her last port of call, tomorrow.

The new planes, built to accommodate 40 passengers in comfort, are coming to the Far East from the United States via Europe. On their way here they will stop over at numerous places including San Diego, Tulsa, Chicago, Montreal, Goose Bay, Greenland, Iceland, Prestwick (Scotland), London, Marseilles, Rome, Cyprus, Iraq, Karachi, Calcutta and Kunming.

When asked why the new planes took a round-the-world trip instead of a direct hop over the Pacific, Mr. Kwan said that the craft were built for medium range flying.

CATC has spent more than US\$200,000, apart from purchasing the planes, for the training of crews.

CHINA RETURNS SHIP TO RN

HMS Mendip, the British destroyer loaned to China last year, was officially handed back to the British Government at 5 p.m. yesterday at the Royal Naval Dockyard.

The ship was handed over to Commodore C. L. Robertson, Commodore-in-Charge, Hong Kong, by Commodore Yang Yuan-chung, Commodore-in-Charge, Fourth Naval District, China.

The destroyer, renamed Ling Fu by the Chinese Government, arrived in the Colony yesterday afternoon from Becca Tigra on the Pearl River Delta, where she picked up Commodore Yang.

The handing over ceremony consisted of the handing over of the ship's book to Commodore Robertson by Captain Tseng, the commander of the destroyer, the lowering of the Chinese flag and the raising of the British flag in its place, and the handing over of guard duty to the Royal Navy.

After the handing over, Commodore Robertson, Commodore Yang and Captain Tseng left in Commodore Robertson's barge. The new commander of the Mendip is Lieutenant-Commander W. W. Dennis R.N., formerly of HMS Cassack.

Aluminium Foils Subject Of Action

One thousand and five hundred pounds of aluminium foils were the subject of an action before Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court yesterday, judgment of which was awarded in favour of the plaintiffs, E. D. Keller and Company, Limited, in the sum of HK\$11,625.

The plaintiffs claimed the sum from the Nam Hing Loong firm of 203 Wing Lok Street for damages by virtue of a breach of contract entered into on May 28, 1947, for the purchase of the aluminium foils.

Hans Heftl, of the plaintiffs' firm, in charge of the department of sales, commodities, and sundries, gave evidence, in the course of which he testified that his firm entered into a contract for quantities of aluminium foils with the defendants' firm in May 28, 1947. The total price for the foils was fixed at \$11,625.

The cargo arrived on January 1948, he continued, Heftl said he then sent the defendants an import invoice. The defendants however made no reply to this.

On April 17, 1948, the plaintiffs' solicitor wrote to the defendants, giving them three days in which to take delivery. They were also informed that if they did not take delivery of the goods, the plaintiffs would have to sell the goods to someone else.

As no reply whatsoever was received, Heftl went on, he looked for an alternative buyer for the aluminium, and eventually found one on September 1948.

Luen Tin-ho, proprietor of E. D. Keller and Company, also testified as to the contract entered into by the plaintiffs and defendants, and testified that he signed the contract.

After this, the Court awarded judgment in favour of the plaintiffs with costs.

REMANDED FOR THREE DAYS

A remand of three days was granted in the case of a man and a woman charged with obtaining money on a forged document, by Mr. F. K. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

The defendants are Tsui Tung, aged 35, of the Tung Cheung Building Contractor at No. 30 D'Aguiar Street and Chow Lin-chi, aged 14, a married woman. They were charged on May 26 with having gone to the Jockey Club to claim a sum of \$244,423 on ticket No. 1808974 (Lanthan Handicap) knowing the same to be forged.

Question Heard At Kai Tak

The persistent question around Kai Tak these days is: "When is the next plane for Shanghai?"

The only satisfaction the curious could get was a curt "no savvy" in broad terms.

Airline officials concerned are tight-lipped. They denied that planning for the re-establishment of traffic with Communist held Shanghai was discussed at the last meeting of airlines executives.

Meanwhile, Kai Tak airport remains unchanged after the excitement of last week just before Lungshwa went completely dead. A CNAC Canton bound plane made a return trip to Kai Tak yesterday due to unfavourable weather conditions at White Cloud Airport.

The aircraft took off later however, and landed at Canton without incident.

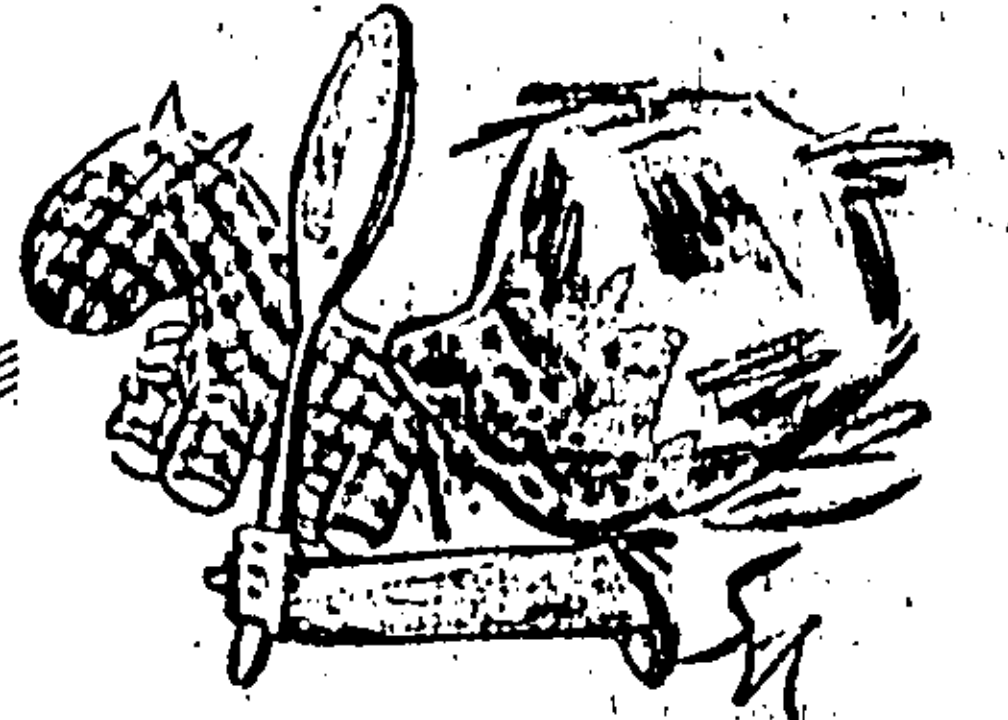
Important persons arriving in the Colony yesterday included Mr. W. H. Morrison, one of the directors of the world known Morrison-Knudsen Construction Company, said to be the biggest in the world.

Mr. Morrison's company together with six other big American construction companies took part in the building of the Boulder Dam and the Grand Coulee Dam.

Mr. Morrison is on a world tour by Pan American Airways. He is accompanied by his wife.

New airport supervisor of the Civil Aviation Department is Wilfred Lawrence (yes, the Colony champion swimmer) who started in his new post last week.

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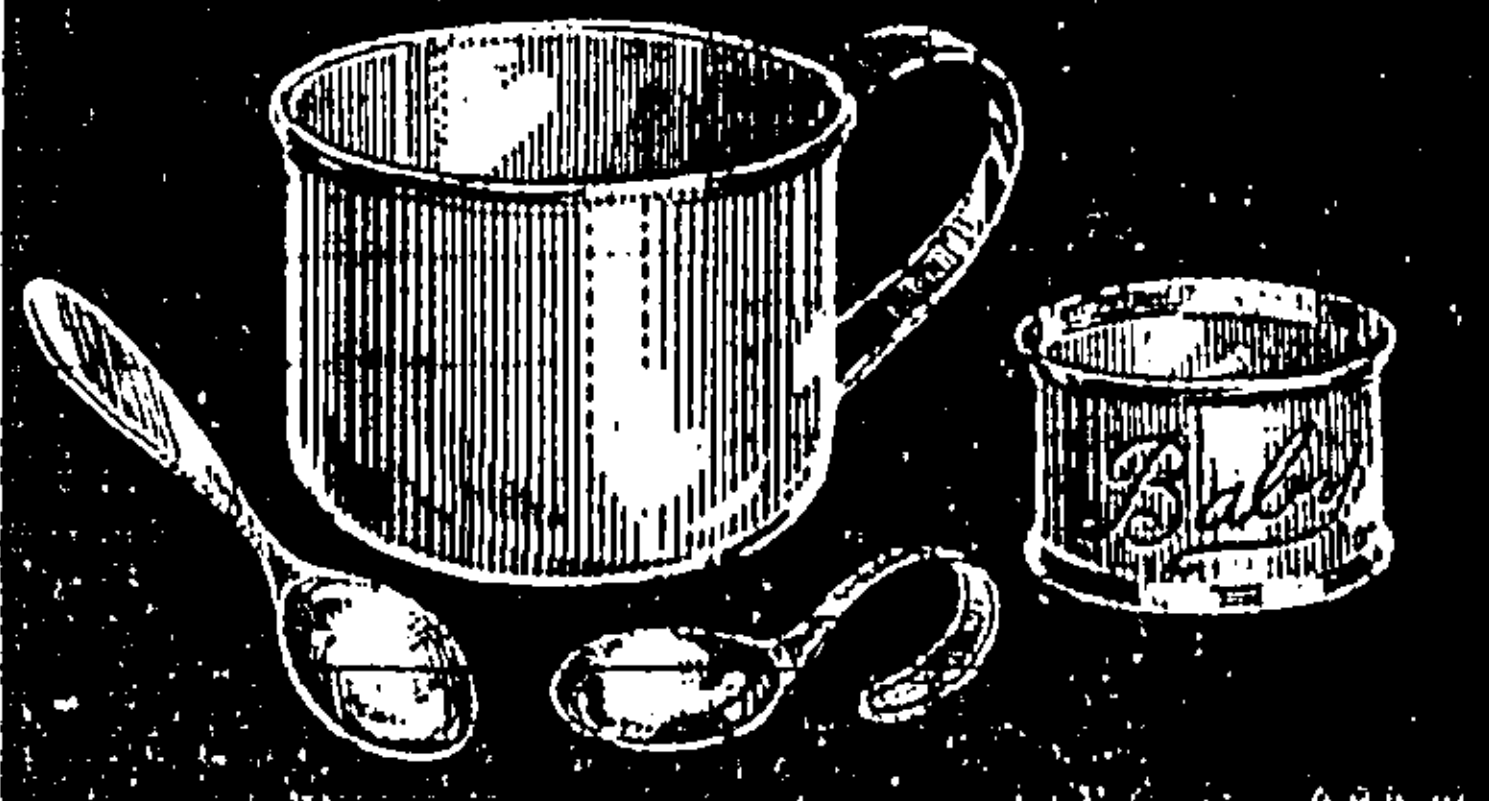
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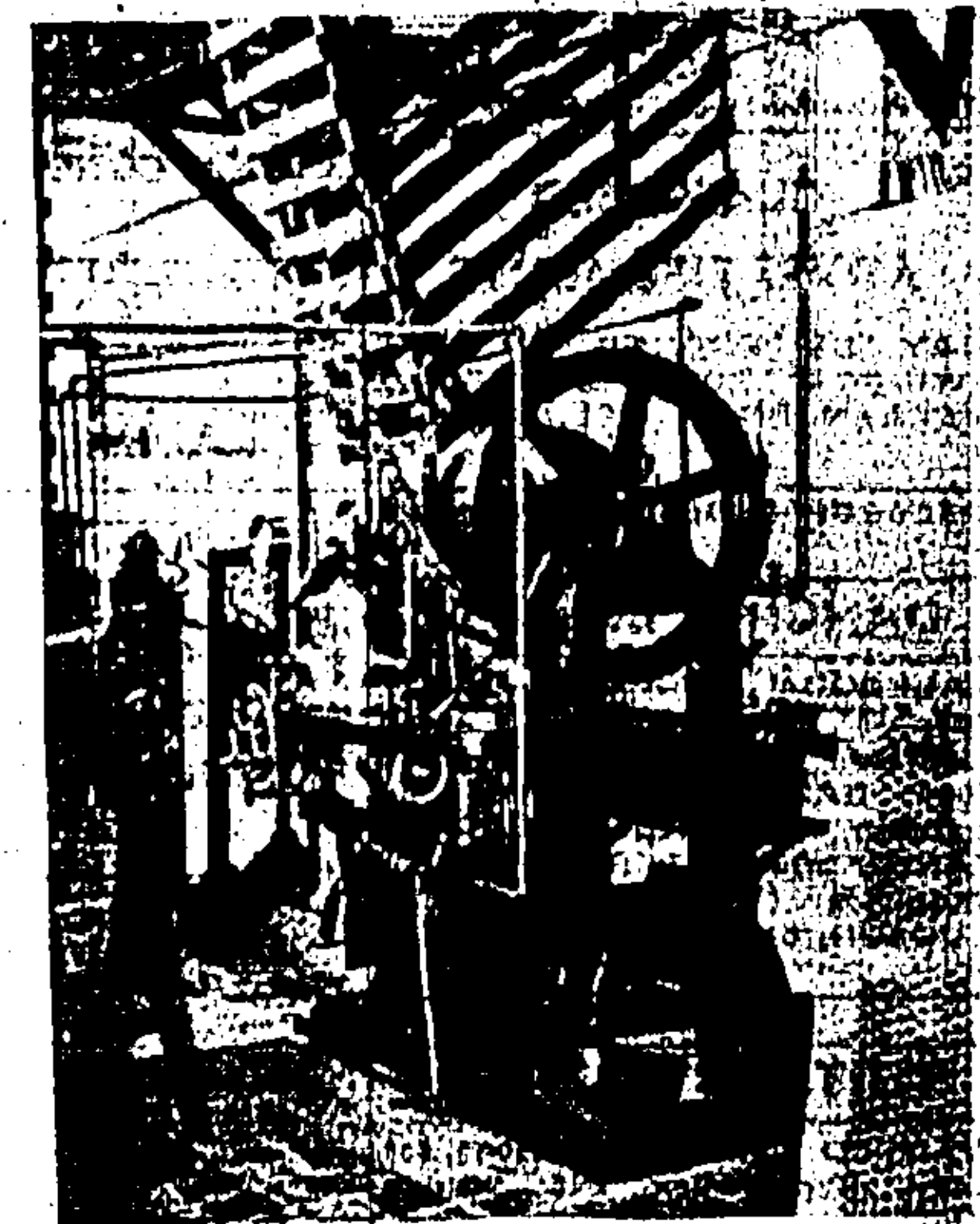


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It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for the supply of Iron and Brass Castings, Repairs, etc.", will be received at the office of the Chairman, Tender Board, Colonial Secretariat, Lower Albert Road, until noon on Friday, June 3, 1940.

Forms of Tender, Specification and further particulars may be obtained at the office of the Controller of Stores, Government Stores Department, Electric Road, North Point.

J. HARGREAVES,
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May 24, 1940.

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NOTICE

The Portuguese Institute of Hong Kong, is commemorating the 4th. century of the arrival in Japan, of St. Francis Xavier, a great missionary figure who is one of the highest in the Portuguese Patronage of the Orient.

On the 30th. of this month, at 6.30 p.m. in the Club Lusitano, the Rev. Father F. Cronin, S.J., will speak on the "Significance of the St. Francis Xavier centenary in Japan".

The Institute extends its invitation to all the Catholics of Hong Kong for their presence at this lecture.

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CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF A DECEASED POLICE OFFICER

It is notified that all claims against the estate of the deceased Police Officer Inspector Ralph Fairburn Craik Oliver should be submitted to the Commissioner of Police, Administrator of the said estate, not later than 8th June, 1940.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.
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Government Appointments

The following appointments were announced in the Government Gazette yesterday:

Mr. D. C. Barry, to act as Director of Supplies and Distribution.

Mr. G. C. Hamilton to be Clerk of Councils.

Mr. A. J. Bird to be a member of the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee.

Mr. A. S. Banks to be Secretary to the Port Welfare Committee.

Capt. K. C. Hamilton, relinquishes his commission in the HK-VDC.

Capt. R. K. Valentine, E.D., relinquishes his commission in the HKVDC.

Dr. Chau Sik-nin resumed his seat on the Executive and Legislative Councils.

Mr. J. I. H. Molten to act as Vice Consul for Panama at Hong Kong.

Henry Westlake MBE, Dead

News has been received in Hong Kong of the death of Mr. Henry Westlake, MBE, on May 19 in England.

Mr. Westlake, a popular member of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps before the war, was formerly with the South Wales Borderers. He was appointed Garrison Sergeant-Major in Hong Kong and joined the Volunteers in 1922.

In 1920, he was promoted to Lieutenant and Quartermaster. A further promotion in 1930 made him a Captain and Quartermaster. Mr. Westlake then went on leave in 1938, before retiring.

He was highly esteemed among the veteran volunteers, although much feared by recruits. Old timers who remember him say his voice on the parade ground was like a fog horn. Recruits soon found out that his bark was a good deal worse than his bite. Mr. Westlake's son, Mr. H. F. Westlake, who died earlier in the Colony, was also a Volunteer.

Violation Of Traffic Rule

P. W. S. Cottler of Melbourne Hotel, was yesterday summoned before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at the Kowloon Magistracy for driving a car without due care and attention.

Cottler was cautioned and discharged by the magistrate, and was ordered to pay the compensation of \$11.25 to a damaged police vehicle.

The prosecution stated that on Wednesday, Cottler was driving private car No. 7367, and was going down the path of the Kowloon Magistracy, turning a sharp corner. Cottler's car hit a police vehicle which was coming in the opposite direction.

REGISTRAR OF SOCIETIES

The Commissioner of Police has been appointed to be Registrar of Societies under the new Societies Ordinance.

The Director, Special Branch, Hong Kong Police Force the Assistant Director, Special Branch, Hong Kong Police Force the Director of Criminal Investigation, Hong Kong Police Force; and the Assistant Directors of Criminal Investigation, Hong Kong Police Force have been appointed to be Assistant Registrars of Societies.

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NOT A TIME TO DOUBT. WHEN you hold exactly two suits of biddable length, especially if one or both of them is rebiddable—that is no time to make an informative or takeout double. That is, unless the opponents have already shown two suits in which even your double may be considered as probably showing the other two. But with a two-suiter, usually if you indicate one suit, definitely with your first bid, instead of doubling, it requires only one more bid by you to elaborate the true story of your holding.

H Q 8 7
S A K J
8 4 2
H A 9 3 2
D None
C A 9 3

C J 5 4 2
N E
S

S 10 3
H 10 6
D A K J 10 7 6 3
C Q 8

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

	South	West	North	East
1. 1 D	2 D	3 S	Pass	1 NT
2. 1 D	2 S	Pass	3 NT	Pass
3. 1 D	2 S	Pass	3 H	Pass

Bad work, that by West at Table 1, doubling when he should have been showing the spades in a hand of such appreciable distribution. East felt that a mere response and 3-Hearts too strong with his hand, so chose 1-No Trump as disclosing just about his total power including a stopper for diamonds. Over that and

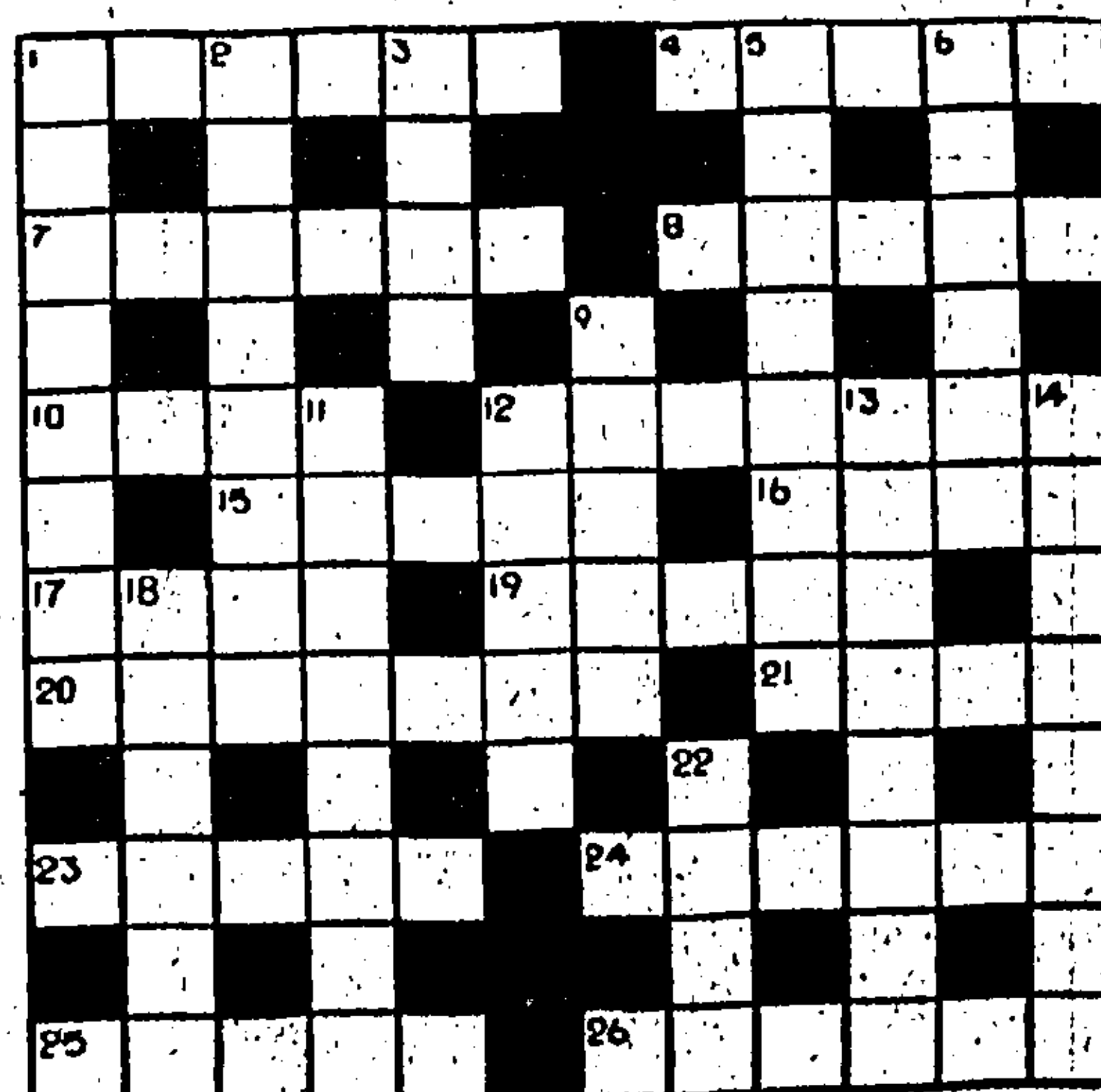
South's 2-Diamonds, West felt that 2-Spades would be too weak, so bid 3-Spades. East now did not like to go above the No Trump game level in order to show his hand, so closed out the show with 3-No Trump.

His contract proved impossible after South led the diamond K and switched to his heart 10. The declarer took three more hearts, two spades and two clubs to make eight, but then had to lose a trick in either spades or clubs, whichever diamonds set him.

Where West indicated his unbalanced hand, probably two-suited, with his 2-Spades, for which his hand was plenty strong, the pair reached the right contract. Over that, East knew it was best for him to show a suit if he had a four-carder, so he did with his 3-Hearts. If West had felt stronger, they might have bid the slam which was made, all tricks being taken. A washbuckling bidder might have cue-bid 4-Diamonds over the 3-Hearts, then Blackwooded to find out what kings East had in the three suits other than the cue-bid diamonds. Learning about both the heart and club kings, he might have shot the works at 7-Hearts if he had eaten plenty of eggs at breakfast.

Your Week-End Question. What is the way to prevent defenders, who separately hold the guarded queen and jack of a suit, one of them twice guarded, from ever taking a trick with them if you have at least three cards of the suit in your own hand and dummy, and are unable to discard any on winners of some other suit?

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Across

1 Saturate.
4 Show in.
7 Mariner.
8 Song.
10 Send out.
12 Lends.
15 Litter.
16 Behind time.

Down

1 Scatter.
2 Worthy to be chosen.
3 Piece of meat.
5 Cheated.
6 Range.
9 Check ac-
11 Quivered.
12 Carried.
13 Pieces of jewellery.
14 N.C.O.
18 Entice.
22 Dumb.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS:—3 Passport, 8 Tender, 9 Restrict, 11 Intimate, 12 Mire, 13 Still, 18 Sneak, 19 Room, 23 Progress, 24 Premiere, 25 Assume, 26 Conceals.

DOWN:—1 Stain, 2 Unity, 3 Permits, 4 Area, 5 Sift, 6 Origin, 7 Titter, 10 Stale, 14 Inure, 16 Larissa, 16 Tropic, 17 Govern, 20 Revue, 21 Asked, 22 Pile, 23 Ozel.

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Middle East Development Must Include Israel

London, May 26.

A great development of the whole Middle East with Israel providing the stimulus, was visualised here today by Dr. M. Eliash, Israeli Minister in London.

Speaking at a Foreign Press Association luncheon, Dr. Eliash said that Israel's future development must certainly be regarded in the light of the general development of the Middle East.

He declared, "Peace and friendly co-operation between Israel and her neighbours, or ranking animosity and instilling suspicion, will determine whether Israel is to be the heaven which will invigorate and stimulate the rehabilitation of dormant areas, or will be forced to conduct its own policies, endeavouring to establish for itself a position in the midst of territories lagging behind socially and economically."

Under the United Nations the Arab States had laid plans for a Middle East Economic Counciling, but with a disregard of the existence of Israel.

With the admission of Israel as a member of the United Nations a revision of these plans would be natural, and Israel's co-operation would be wholehearted and sincere, Dr. Eliash said.

"It would be based on the conviction that such co-operation of equal and independent partners must lead to the revival of the glories of a region which once supported large and flourishing populations."

Place Of Israel

In an awakening Middle East, with large-scale schemes of agricultural and industrial development, the place of Israel became obvious.

"The necessity to absorb a large flow of immigration within the shortest possible period will force Israel to mobilise all its technical and scientific resources, and to apply its energies and ingenuity to the maintenance of a decent standard of life for its labouring masses," Dr. Eliash stated.

"It could certainly serve as an experimental station for the entire Middle East whose achievements would be emulated and successfully repeated elsewhere," he added.

On Israel's political outlook, Dr. Eliash said that his country would continue honestly to endeavour to approach international problems with an independent judgment of the principles involved. It would seek to avoid being holed into groupings or combinations. Its experiment in political neutrality had already been rewarded by establishing the al-

most unique precedent of co-operative and harmonious support by the United States and Russia.

Israel's Problems

"The problems of Israel's own security will continue to loom large in the cares of its statesmen until such time as nation shall not lift up sword against nation," Dr. Eliash continued.

"The defiant attempts of Israel's neighbours to prevent the will of the United Nations by force has brought much suffering and many tragedies in its wake."

It would be in the national interest to co-operate in any movement removing the threat of war.

Many were asking if the young State would be able to carry the staggering burden of creating a new economy and a new social order while doubling the population by immigration in four or five years. The reassuring reply to these doubts lay in the energies of the entire Jewish people which were behind these activities.

"And no doubt international interest and support will be forthcoming for the development schemes which are a necessary corollary of the process of absorption," Dr. Eliash said.—Reuter.



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Princess Margaret In Switzerland

Brige, Switzerland, May 27.

Princess Margaret arrived in Switzerland from Italy shortly before noon yesterday and was greeted at the border by Swiss officials from Berno and Lausanne. She was handed a huge bouquet of flowers as her car arrived on Swiss soil.

The Princess crossed the border at Gmli and then proceeded by car towards Brige. The trip over the Simplon Pass was uneventful. There was heavy fog but no rain, members of the party reported.

Princess Margaret visited Chillon Castle near Montreux yesterday and is to go to Lausanne, where she will be the guest of her Aunt, Queen Victoria Ugenie.

She is expected to leave Lausanne for Paris by train on Friday evening. Princess Margaret enjoyed her visit to Italy tremendously.

This was disclosed in a statement by Major Thomas C. Harvey, private secretary to Queen Elizabeth, issued just before the Princess left Siresa.

Major Harvey, who, with his wife Lady Mary Harvey has accompanied the Princess, praised the Royal tourist's impressions on the Italian press.

Beautiful Things

"She has been very much impressed by the many beautiful things that she has seen," the

statement said. "Outstanding, however, among the impressions she will carry back to England will be the memory of all the kindness and welcome which she has everywhere received throughout her journey in Italy."

Princess Margaret left Italy just 30 days after she arrived by plane at Naples on April 27.

Princess Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, meanwhile became honorary citizens of Belfast yesterday and received the freedom of the city.

Their names went on the roll of freemen as number 49 and 50. After the City Hall ceremony the Royal pair visited a linen "warehouse." There they had a talk with Enrico Sferri, member of the New York's wholesale firm of Sferri Brothers.—Associated Press.

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BIG FOUR MINISTERS FAIL TO PROGRESS AT MEETING

Strike Still Holding Up Trains

Berlin, May 26. Russian-controlled railway officials today allowed only four trains to cross the British zone border on the Berlin line, where 61 other trains were held up by the strike of Western sector railwaymen. British transport officials reported here tonight.

Only seven trains had arrived in Berlin from the West during the past two days as a result of the six-day-old strike by non-Communist workers on the Soviet-controlled city railways.

The four trains allowed on the congested line by Eastern zone rail officials at the zone border at Magdeburg represented a cut of two-thirds in the number crossing during the same period—midnight to 6 p.m. yesterday, the British officials said.

Nearly 100 bad tempered Americans and Britons, exasperated after night-long shunting around Soviet zone sidings, finally arrived here in military trains this afternoon, 24 hours overdue because of the Berlin rail strike.

A passenger aboard one of the trains said that to crown their discomfort Russian soldiers sitting beside the track laughed at them and said, "You can't blame us—there's no strike here."

The Commandants of the three Western sectors of Berlin met today for a brief conference on the strike, the American-licensed news agency, Dena, reported.

According to German reports the Soviet-controlled railroad administration had turned down an offer by the strikers—who are demanding payment in Western marks—to work inter-zonal traffic.

A strike official is reported to have said that some 400 railwaymen had earlier arrived at stations in the Western sectors.

"They said that they had been told by the Russians to do some work along the tracks and in the repair-sheds. But they did not want to act as strike-breakers so they joined up with us."

Police Protection

West sector police headquarters reported this afternoon that railworkers who refused to work had asked for and were granted police protection.

Russian officers tonight visited some Western sector stations and ordered strikers to steam-up locomotives and repair damaged railroad installations.

An official spokesman for the striking Independent Trade Union (IGO) said, "Our men naturally refused to obey any Soviet orders. They told them that the strike is still on."

Mrs. Joe Homfray, of Felixstowe, England, who arrived in the British military train this afternoon, paid a tribute to the generosity of passengers of the American train, when they were packed side by side at one Soviet zone siding.

"The Americans passed food to us through the windows and were particularly wonderful to the kiddies," she said. "Few on the British train thought of taking food along and there was no dinner."

Earlier, a British spokesman said that the stoppage was holding up 34 trains between the Western zones and Berlin, among them four military passenger trains.

After the three-Power Commandatura met today a British official spokesman said, "The Commandants talked about the present situation but no more information than that will be given out."

Leaders of the striking railroadmen's union also had a secret meeting in Berlin after which a spokesman said, "Like the Western Commandants we

Lively, Good-Humoured Exchanges On Germany NEW AUSTRIAN DRAFT

The Big Four Foreign Ministers again failed to make progress at their conference today on Germany. No decisions were made and there were lively exchanges towards the end of the session.

Mr. John Foster Dulles, the United States Republican Party foreign affairs adviser, said after the meeting: "We had a picture of paradise in the East and hell in the West. It was pointed out that a good many Germans seem to prefer hell to paradise."

The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vishinsky, dominated the meeting with a long and bitter attack on conditions in Western Germany.

He said the figures given by Mr. Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, yesterday about German recovery in the West did not convey a true picture of the situation and cited facts and figures to show that in the Western Zones there was a rising cost of living and increasing unemployment.

M. Vishinsky compared this with conditions in the Soviet Zone and listed the benefits said to have been conferred on the German population by the deliveries of raw materials, food and finished goods from the Soviet Union.

Mr. Acheson said that he hoped M. Vishinsky would supply additional facts on such subjects as reparations and the Soviet-owned trusts in the Eastern Zone.

The session closed with lively but on the whole good-humoured exchanges.

These began when Britain's Mr. Ernest Bevin said that he hoped M. Vishinsky's additional information could be presented to some of the refugees from the Eastern Zone who were still pouring in a steady stream into Western Germany.

Perhaps, Mr. Bevin said, the picture of the remarkable progress in the Eastern Zone would persuade them to return to Eastern Germany.

Claims Reviewed

Reviewing the claims of the Western powers about the achievements in the Western Zones, M. Vishinsky said that it had always been the Russian view that more liberty and responsibility should be given to the Germans.

He was glad to see that the Western powers were adopting this point of view.

M. Vishinsky ridiculed the Western powers' arrangements for three-power control of the Zones, particularly the provision whereby the United States was given a controlling weighted vote over measures involving the United States in increased financial assistance.

Recovery in the Russian Zone, said M. Vishinsky, had been achieved without an external deficit. Eastern Germany had no deficit. It had a surplus of 700 million marks in 1948, and would have a surplus of 1,000 million marks in 1949.

It had a better record in public health and educational services than certain older and richer countries, M. Vishinsky asserted.

M. Vishinsky, in a rebuff to Mr. Bevin, said that one should not believe stories peddled by refugees. He could easily produce stories unfavourable to the Western Zones by Germans who had left them for the Soviet Union.

When the meeting opened, M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, asked M. Vishinsky to clarify the economic aspects of his proposals for a return to four-power control of Germany.

M. Schuman said that he would like to hear the Soviet views on

are giving out no information just now.

"We both have a good reason for maintaining silence at present,"—Reuter.

Paris, May 26.

such questions as reparations and Soviet-owned trusts and would like to know whether M. Vishinsky was proposing any modification in the existing economy of the Soviet Zone.

M. Vishinsky thought his proposal was a clear statement which answered M. Schuman's questions. He repeated the proposal.

M. Vishinsky said that economic and political unity could only be reached through a single central German organisation.

Mr. Acheson, who presided, said the Soviet proposal was a road that could not be travelled by a reasonably prudent man. He said: "No one questions that there should be a supreme authority in Germany and an Allied Authority."

Real Unity

"We in the West have created real unity, raised economic standards, dealt with the many outstanding problems and have turned Western Germany into a going concern."

Mr. Acheson added: "By a vast effort we have created a peaceful democratic society with the essential economic sub-structure."

Mr. Bevin said the question was whether or not the unity of Germany, as suggested in the Soviet proposal, would approximate to what had been created in the Western Zones.

He wanted to know what the Allied Control Council would have to control, what economic system was to be set up, and about the problem of reparations.

"If we knew that it would be possible to see if there was a basis for agreement."

If four-power control could be made to work, well and good, Mr. Bevin said, but it must be understood that in West Germany they were entirely committed to 45,000,000 Germans by what had happened in the last 18 months.

M. Vishinsky cited statistics designed to show the increased cost of living and decreased employment in the Western Zones. He also produced figures showing the progress made in the Eastern Zone.

Industrial output in the Eastern Zone was 96.6 per cent of the 1938 level. He said that the Soviet Union had given considerable assistance in grain, fats,

minerals, agricultural raw materials and finished products to the Eastern Zone.

Mr. Bevin said that he would like to confront the large number of people who came over into the Western Zones from the Eastern Zones with this remarkable picture and that, thereby, they might possibly be induced to return.

Stream of Refugees

Officials of the British delegation estimated that the stream of Eastern Zone refugees into Western Germany now averaged 40,000 a month. Of these, roughly 30,000 reached the British Zone.

M. Vishinsky said that there was no need for Mr. Bevin to thank him for the information, which was modest, but facts were facts. As to the interrogation of people who had crossed the zones, M. Vishinsky said that they, in the Eastern Zone, had a number of people who came over from the British Zone. He always felt that too much trust should not be put in the tales they brought.

Mr. Acheson said that M. Vishinsky had made a start for which he thanked the Soviet Foreign Minister. He would like him to continue to produce information about the Soviet Zone. Now they might be provided with information on such subjects as reparations, Soviet-owned properties in the Eastern Zone and other matters which were fundamental to the consideration of the problem before them.

M. Vishinsky said that none of them could very much like subjects to be imposed on them, and he hoped that he could offer the same facilities as the others in this matter.

Mr. Acheson replied that no obligation was involved. It was merely a request.

M. Vishinsky said that the Western claims that the measures they had taken in Germany were dictated by security considerations were wrong. The Occupation Statute prepared by the Western powers went far beyond security questions, into the field of foreign trade, customs and international relations.

Western observers are increasingly convinced that the most likely road to a progressive four-power understanding is through a

Japan's Recovery Greater Than UK's, MacArthur States

New York, May 26.

General Douglas MacArthur declared today, that Japan has made a greater post-war economic recovery than many European countries, including Britain, largely by its own effort.

Without direct American recovery aid such as was given Western Germany, he said, Japan has increased its industrial output more than Poland, the Netherlands, France, Czechoslovakia.

But MacArthur contended the delay in drafting a peace treaty for Japan is keeping the country in an economic blockade.

Even after a treaty is signed, he said, Japan faces the prospect of a continuing struggle to feed its growing population from shrunken resources.

MacArthur's statement in the U.S. magazine, Fortune, was in response to an article previously published in the magazine and entitled, "2,000,000,000 Failure in Japan."

In a detailed recital of occupation accomplishments he made these points:

1. Japan has received only one-fourth as much American aid as Germany, per capita. While the United States has helped rebuild German industry, MacArthur was expressly ordered in 1945 to require the Japanese to rely on their own resources for recovery.

2. The occupation entered a new phase last year when restoring Japan's self support became an avowed occupation objective. The original major aims

discussion of the economic problems of German unity.

Experience in previous four-power meetings has shown that the Soviet delegation has always stated its maximum demands for several days—to test the Western resistance before agreeing to compromise solutions.

Austrian Draft

It was learned from a reliable source in London tonight that the United States has prepared a completely revised draft of the Austrian State Treaty on which the Big Four Foreign Ministers' deputies have reached a deadlock after more than 100 meetings, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent wrote.

The new American move was said to be inspired by a desire for an all-out effort to obtain a solution on the treaty, which is item 4 on the agenda of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

The basis of the plan, it was understood, would be to offer to meet fully the Russian claims on former German assets in Austria in so far as they represent only an economic burden, in return for concessions on political matters, such as the Yugoslav claims for frontier changes and the Slovene-Carinthia demand for autonomy.

In so far as the economic burden proved too great for Austria, assistance would be provided by the United States, it was believed in London. The only Russian claims on German assets, which the United States would contest, would be those which would limit Austrian sovereignty over its own oil producing industry.

It was believed that this plan would be presented when the question of the Austrian State Treaty is discussed by the Foreign Ministers.—Reuter.

Trade Unionism

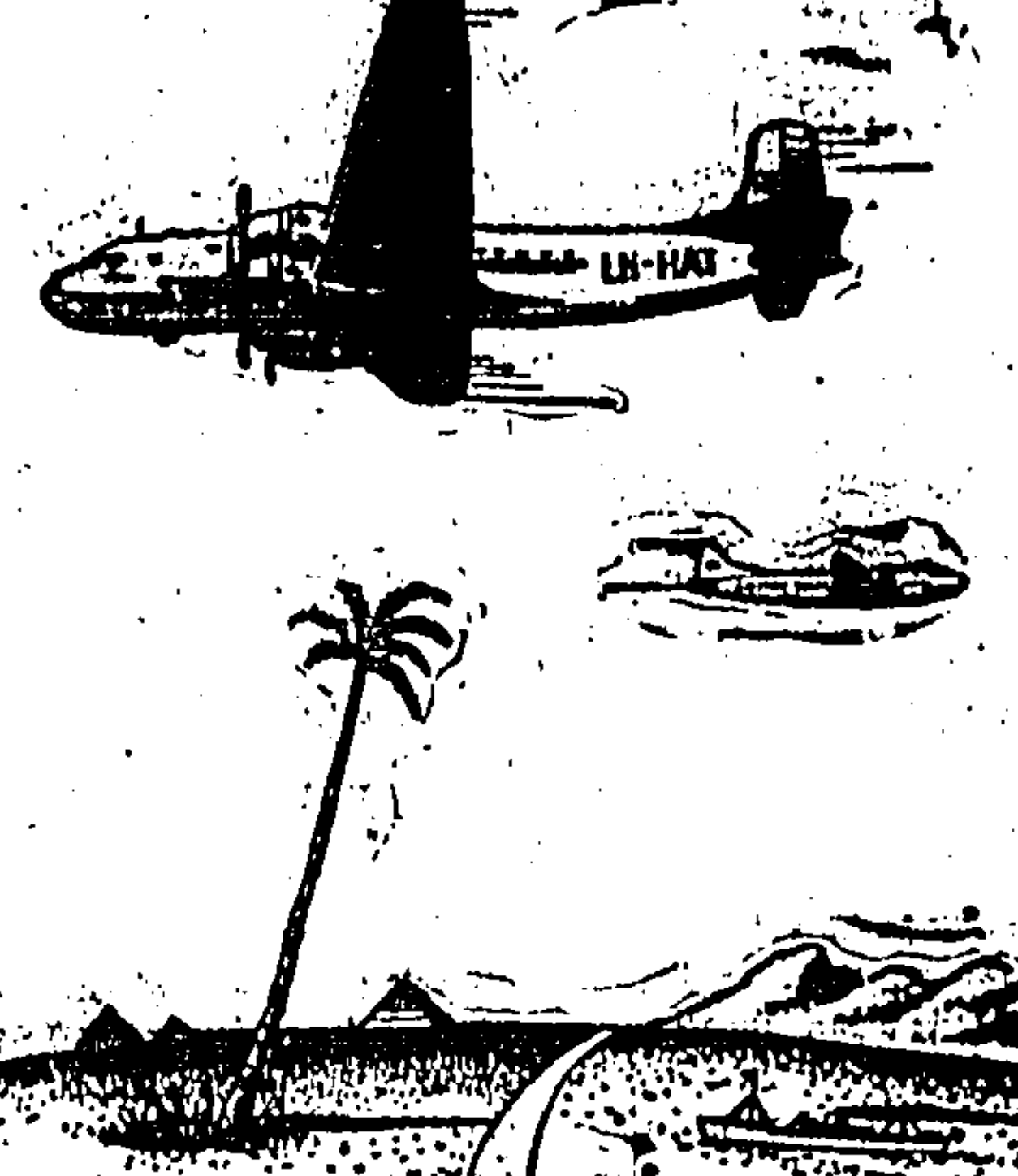
The General said the rise of trade unionism, with occupation encouragement, was a factor in the post-war growth of export trade.

"Pre-war competition offered in world markets by cheap Japanese goods based on underpaid labour was a source of continuing resentment and complaint in other countries," he said.

"With the trade unionism developed under the occupation, Japanese labour for the first time in history has been freed from exploitation. For the first time in history, a proper balance is being effected between labour and capital in the Japanese economy, and the Japanese exporters must find their markets on a more truly competitive basis."

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WHERE ARE BRITAIN'S RACERS?

By Courtenay Edwards

There were moments during recently 300-mile road race at Silverstone, near Towcester, when it looked as if a British driver would at long last roar into first place in a Grand Prix event in this country.

Driving one of the sleek Italian Maseratis, Reg Parnell at one time seemed to have a very good chance of being first man home, but later he had rear axle trouble and retired.

Then there was George Abecassis, in his four-cylinder rubber-sprung Alfa, which was to many spectators, the best-looking car in the race. It is also Britain's one and only racing car of post-war design.

Although dogged by carburetor trouble, Abecassis finished seventh and averaged 74.07 m.p.h. He kept fifth place for nearly a third of the race.

And there was always Bob Gerard to be reckoned with. This 37-year-old Leicester man is certainly one of our best racing drivers.

He performed magnificently on Saturday to get into second place, only 65 seconds after the colourful Swiss, Baron Emmanuel de Graffenreid, who drove one of the low-slung Maseratis to gain his first big racing triumph at an average speed of 77.31 m.p.h.

If Gerard had pulled it off, and there was always a chance that the high-revving Maserati might pack up, as many of its type had done earlier—it would have been a double British victory.

Ageing Models

For the Leicester man's ERA is as British as they make 'em. Twelve years old, it is true, but still a superb piece of mechanism brought up to date with a genius that literally left a number of the 1948 Maseratis standing.

Yet Silverstone once again emphasised Britain's lack of modern racing cars. It is an engineering miracle that the ageing ERA's continue to put up such a fine show.

No one is certain that at next year's Grand Prix we shall definitely see the new ERA now under construction in Lincolnshire.

Raymond Mays, the ace British driver who is closely linked with this co-operative project, told me at Silverstone that he is confident the ERA—British Racing Motor—will be ready by then. But new racing cars usually suffer from teething troubles.

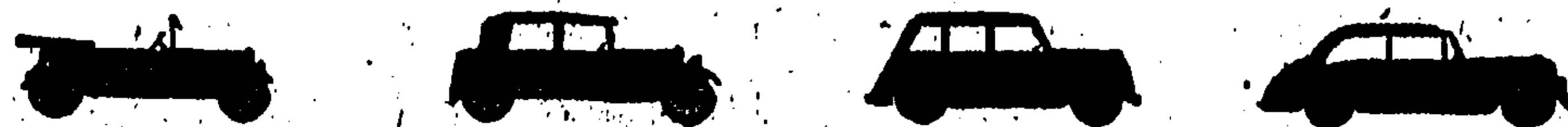
The huge crowd of 120,000 or more which went to Silverstone proves that the revival of public interest in road racing in Britain is a very real thing.

At Silverstone and at Goodwood, in Sussex, Britain now has two excellent racing tracks developed from disused aerodromes.

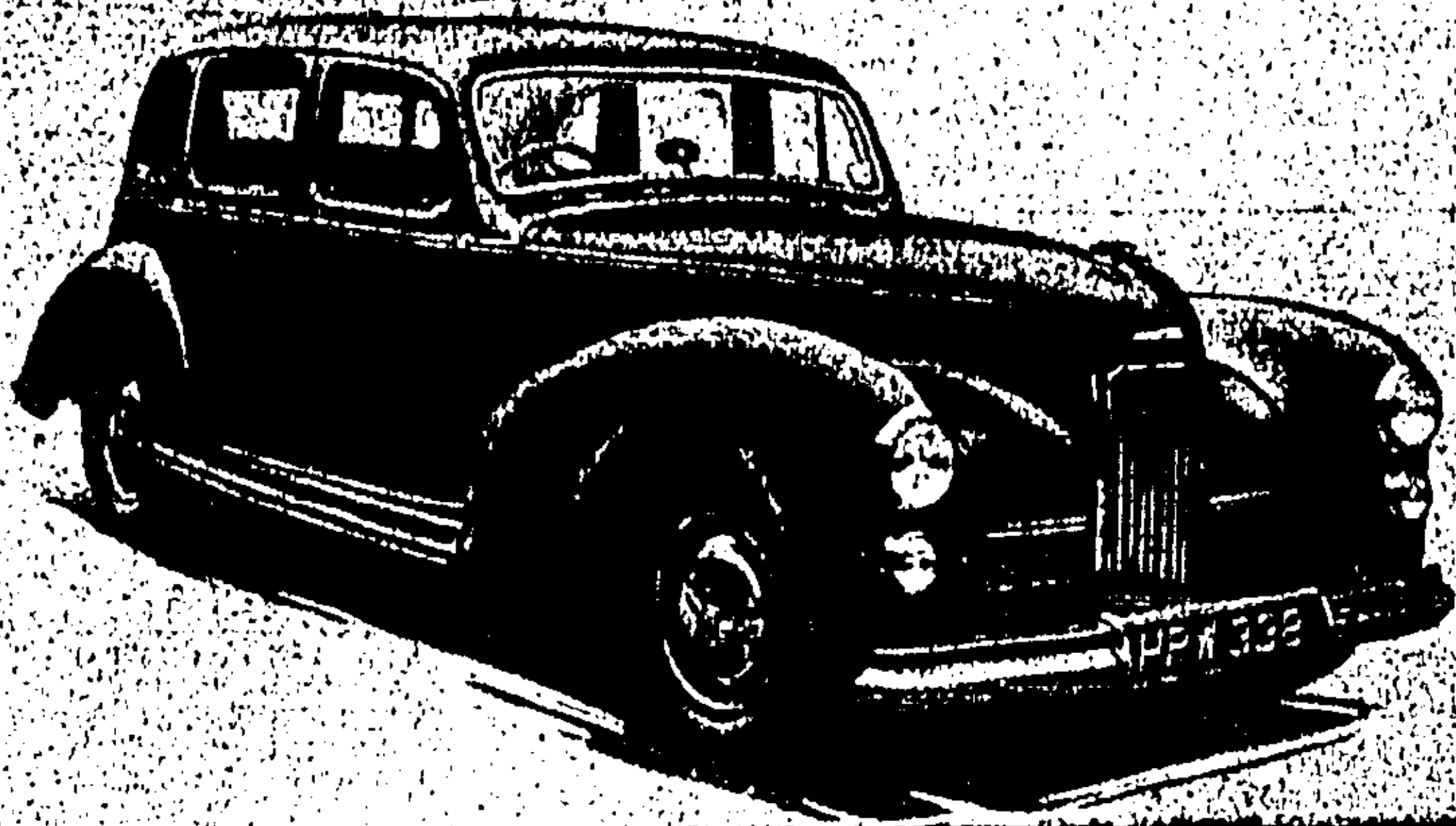
But the organisation of race-meetings at these circuits is not yet perfect.

The incident at Silverstone when an Italian car ran off the track and into the crowd—injuring only a few people, as it happened—has caused the RAC no little concern.

Coming soon after the fatal crash in the Jersey road race, it makes it imperative for the RAC to examine closely their arrangements for protecting spectators.



MOTORING NEWS AND VIEWS



In appearance the Humber Super Snipe is impressive, with a modern frontal treatment but restrained use of chromium.

NEW DEVELOPMENT OF HUMBER SUPER SNIPE

In engine and overall size the Humber Super Snipe is the largest British car today at a home market list price below £1,000.

In basic features this model is well proved, for it has been developed through the years; in its 1949 form it has undergone front-end styling changes, as well as becoming wider in the track for increased roominess of the body and receiving mechanical improvements.

Particularly well tried is the robust 4-litre six-cylinder side-valve engine, a design which performed fine work during the war in a variety of vehicles where power and reliability were paramount needs.

Briefly the current Super Snipe is a full-size six-seater of impressive and handsome appearance, completely equipped, and offering a sparkling performance.

It is very largely a top gear car, though running on a final-drive ratio of almost exactly 4 to 1, which gives it effortless cruising in the 70 m.p.h.-plus region.

There is little, if any, increase of mechanical effort right up to the maximum speed, which can be a genuine 80 m.p.h. on level ground, at a speedometer reading of 85-86 on the car tested.

On the 'give' sections of a given-and-take road the needle was twice taken past the 90 mark, representing approximately 85 m.p.h. true speed.

There is an appeal about the masterful progress of a big car which handles well that can be experienced with no other type of car.

The Super Snipe certainly comes into the category of big cars that handle well, and in this respect, as well as in the riding qualities, the latest model strikes one as being a distinct improvement over its predecessors.

The riding is soft and yet level and almost unaffected by any normal road surface deterioration. Rear seat comfort is highly commended by experienced passengers.

Independent front suspension is by the Eveskeel single transverse leaf spring system, which on the latest car has an increased number of thinner leaves than previously.

The road springs, front and rear, are galvanized for protection against mud and water and for retention of lubricant.

Lateral stability for fast cornering is extremely satisfactory and there is a good sense of balance when cornering.

Smooth Engine

The steering, which is the latest Burman re-circulating ball pattern

with variable ratio on full lock, is particularly free from friction.

The engine is smooth and quiet and very definitely has power, as is obvious in every aspect of the road performance. From as low a speed as six m.p.h. achieved smoothly on top gear, speed is gathered strongly yet smoothly and with practically no jinking.

The Humber sweeps over the ordinary sort of gradient, treating it as an acceleration test, or where a slow climb is necessary it will still hold comfortably on to top gear without distress.

A 1 in 6½ hill, regularly included in the test route was taken about half-way on top gear and the remainder, including the rounding of a sharp corner at the summit, with consummate ease on third gear of the four-speed box.

Very fine average speed performances can be achieved without the driver feeling that he is making a special effort and without his becoming unusually tired over long distances.

On one occasion over a known route 60 miles were covered in one hour and 75 miles in one hour twenty-one minutes, representing an average speed of 55.6 m.p.h.

It is particularly interesting and important that this car still handles well and retains a practically unimpaired performance with a full quota of passengers, under which conditions it was tried, as well as with light loads.

No practical difference could be detected in the cornering or steering characteristics with six people in the car.

Brakes are safe not only in the sense that the required power is available, but also in that braking is not easily applied too fiercely, though the pedal pressure required is at all times moderate.

As on other cars from the Rootes Group, the steering column gear change deserves high praise, and is one of the very best of its kind in existence.

The movements of the lever are light and the driver does not find himself in doubt as to which gear he is engaging, in spite of the absence of spring loading on the lever in the neutral position. A

positive stop guards against unintentional engagement of reverse.

Synchromesh

Synchromesh is applied to all four gears on the Super Snipe, but the occasions for needing first would be very rare, and the car starts from rest without the least protest on second gear.

The synchromesh is of the excellent kind incorporating baulking ring mechanism, and gears cannot be clashed however quickly the lever is moved in changing.

The driving position is good, with a well-raked steering column and a large-diameter thin-rim wheel. There is comfortable support from both back rest and cushion and from an average-height driver's point of view no disadvantage attached to the seat being of single-piece as distinct from a separate type.

It moves particularly easily when adjustment is required. Also it is sufficiently wide to render the car a comfortable six-seater if need be, or to allow three people to travel in front if they are the only occupants. Ease of getting in and out is equally easy on either side of the front compartment.

The hand-brake lever is on the right extending from the floor, a good, firm control with a pleasing movement. It operates powerfully for holding the car on a hill, involves a slight reach forward when pulling it on, but is well out of the way of the door opening.

Although the windscreen pillars are not specially thin, no awkward interference with driving vision is experienced and vision over the bonnet is satisfactory, the driver having a good view of the right-hand wing, while the left wing can be seen by leaning over, and would be visible from the normal seating position. If the driving mirror were mounted at the top of the windscreen instead of at the bottom, where also it would be more practical when a full load is being carried.

At other times it gives a comprehensive view behind. A reversing light operates when reverse gear is engaged.

The instruments, which are easily read through the T-shaped steering wheel, include that valuable provision, an engine thermometer, as well as an ammeter and oil pressure gauge.

Clock Mounted

A clock of larger size than is now usual is mounted separately, but included in the illumination at night.

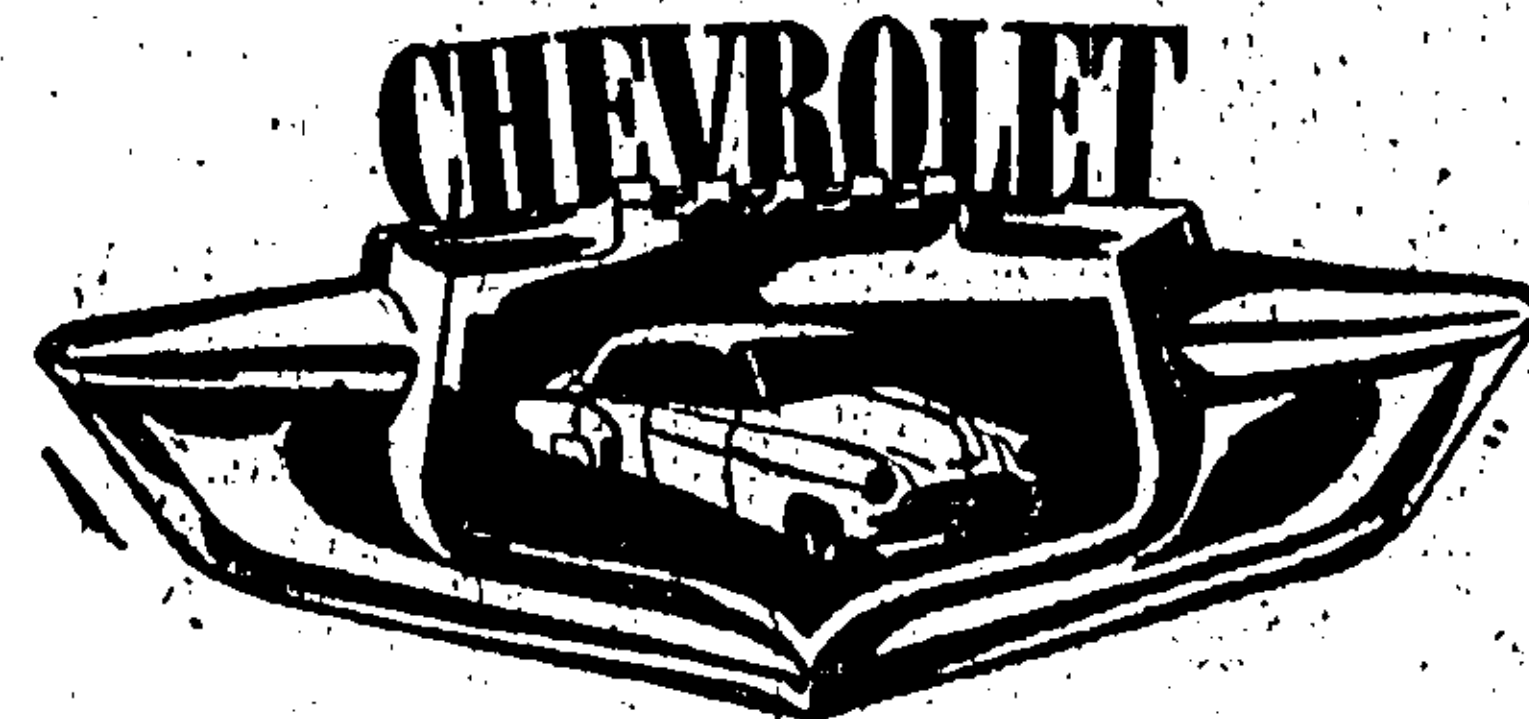
There is the appreciated touch of the British quality car in the walnut veneering of the fascia panel and of the door cappings, as also there is in a more important direction in the quality of the fine leather upholstery and the soft cushions and back rests.

Detail fittings have been studied, and there is no suggestion of their having been skimped in number or quality in the interests of keeping the price down, a remark which applies, indeed, to the Super Snipe as a whole.

Ventilation is looked after efficiently by hinged panels in the forward door windows, additional to the handle-controlled drop sections, and by hinged quarter windows which act as extractors. A sliding roof is fitted. A further detail point is that when any door is opened the roof lamp is switched on.

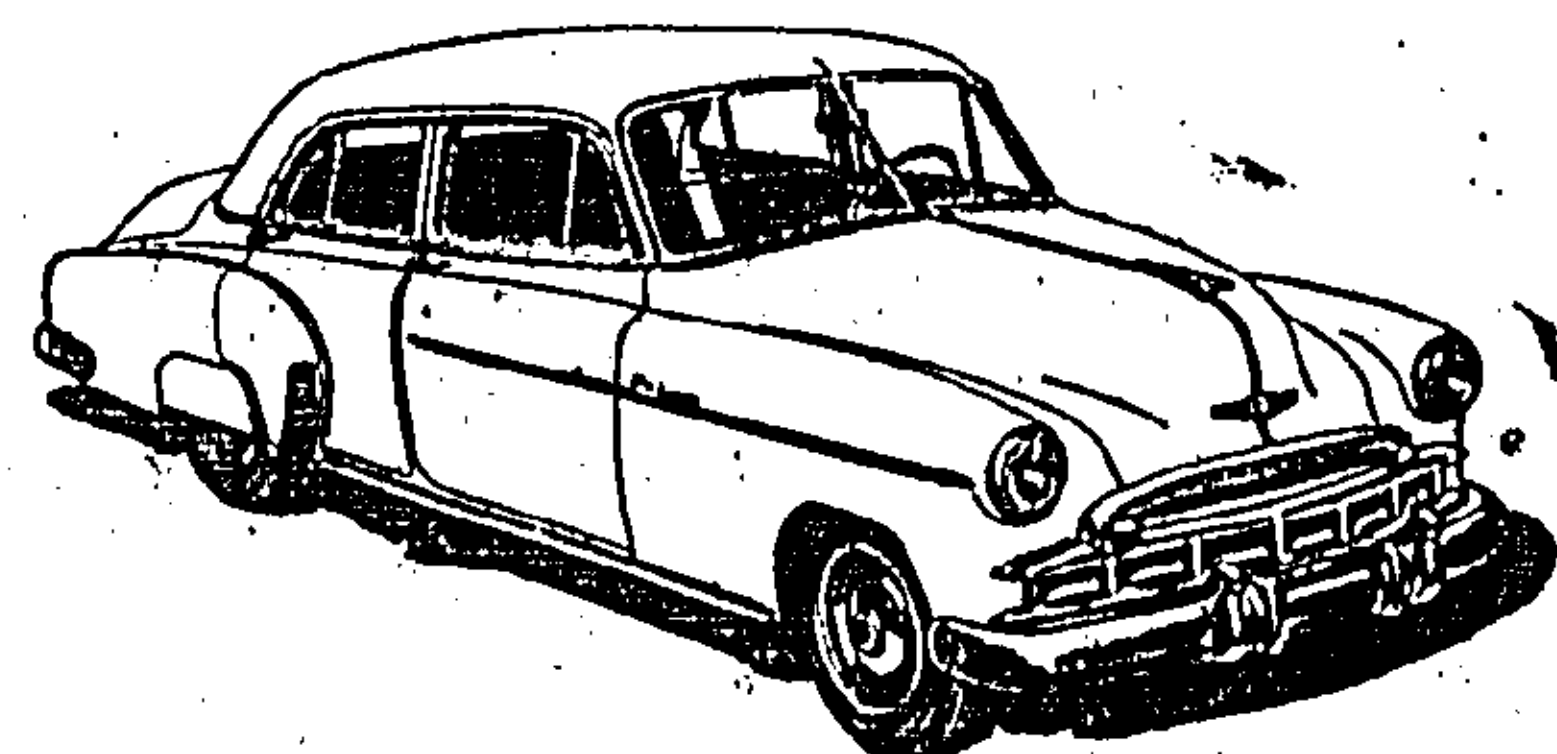
In spite of its generous seating and leg room the overall length of the car is by no means excessive and it can be housed within a comparatively modest garage.

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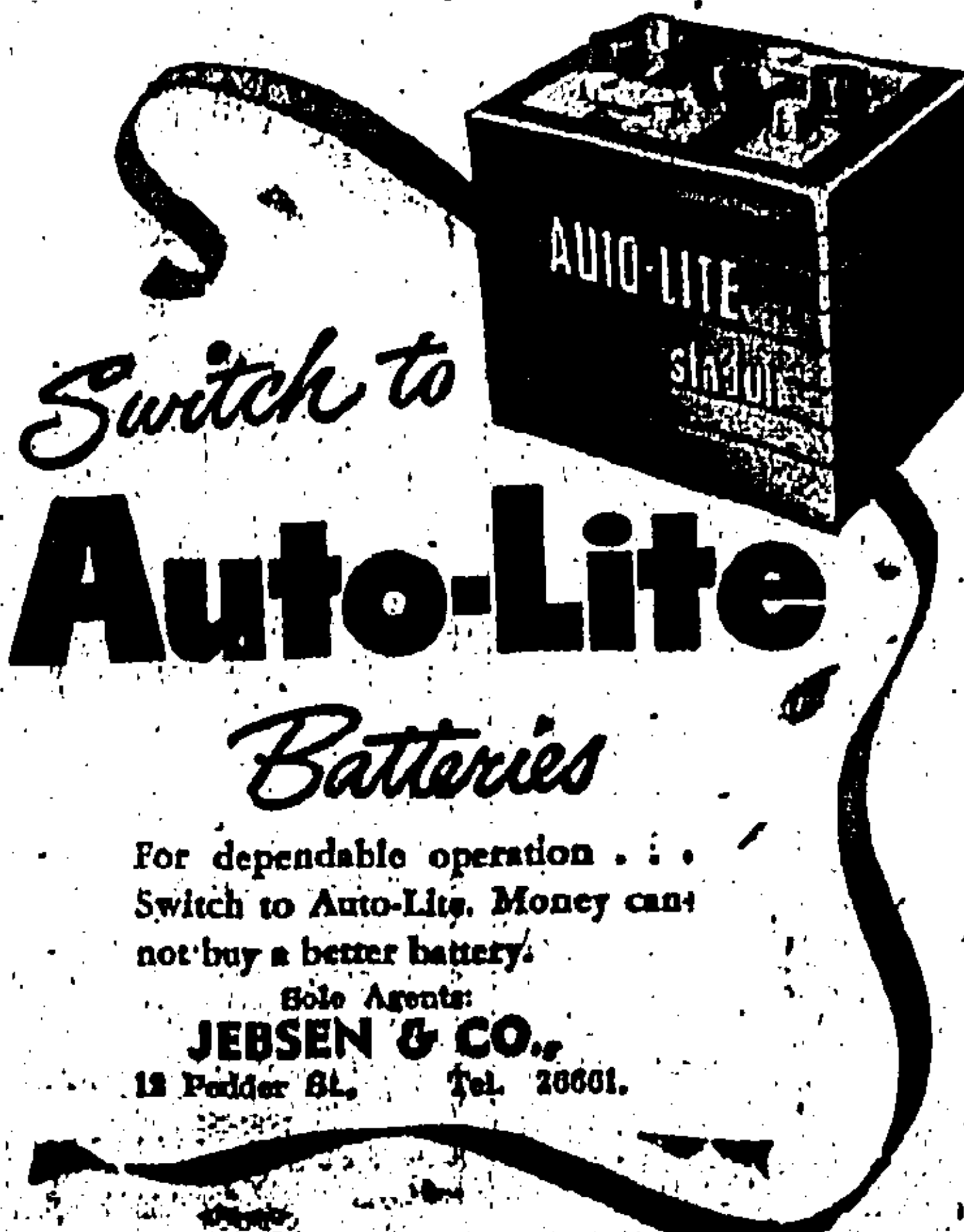
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Queen Starts The Rammer



Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands (at left) get set to heave the rope to start a "Rammer" during a pageant in the Rotterdam "Sparta" Stadium, on Holland's "Reconstruction Day." The soft ground in the Western part of Holland makes it necessary to build houses on wooden piles. These are driven into the ground with a "Rammer"—AP Photo.

To Protest Treaty Violations

London, May 26. Diplomatic quarters said today that Britain may take fresh action shortly against violation of the peace treaties by Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania. This action probably would be taken in conjunction with the United States following joint consultations on the matter.

On April 2, Britain and the United States presented notes to the three governments accusing them of arbitrary exercise of power, violation of freedom of the individual and indulging in religious persecution. Bulgaria and Rumania also were accused of violating military stipulations in their peace treaties.

Between April 10 and April 22 the three countries sent negative answers to the British and American governments. British quarters hinted repeatedly that machinery provided for the peace treaties in case of treaty violations would be set into motion if the three countries did not respond to the Anglo-American representations. Britain may now make use of that machinery.

New Violations

Diplomatic quarters said new peace treaty violations had been added to the old ones, particularly regarding recent Hungarian Parliamentary elections.

The machinery of the peace treaties is fairly complicated. At first, the heads of the British, French and Russian missions in Bucharest, Budapest and Sofia must discuss treaty violations. If their discussions fail, a commission will be appointed in each of the three capitals concerned.

The commission will include one representative of the accusing countries, one representative of the country charged with violations and a third member selected by mutual agreement from

Truman's Foreign Aid Bill Gets Approval

Washington, May 26.

The House of Representatives today passed the US\$5,617,470,000 foreign aid bill after going most of the way to meet President Truman's last-minute appeal for more money.

Passage was by a standing vote of 193-27. The measure now goes to the Senate.

In a letter read just before the final vote on the compromise measure, Mr. Truman particularly urged the House to restore the \$154,000,000 cut by the Appropriations Committee from his requested \$1,000,000,000 for the occupied areas.

The House met him halfway on that request by voting 120-39 to restore \$75,000,000 of the cut, to bring to \$925,000,000 the total for the occupied areas in the fiscal year 1950.

Besides \$925,000,000 for the occupied areas, the bill carries \$3,588,470,000 for Marshall Plan spending. Under the compromise, this amount can be spent during the first 10 months of the fiscal year 1950 instead of being spread over 12 months.

The administration will be able to come back for more money for the final month and a half of the fiscal year 1950. This would nearly equal the spending rate proposed by Mr. Truman for the second year of the Marshall Plan.

Greek Aid

The bill also carries \$1,074,000,000 for Marshall Plan spending in the last three months of the current fiscal year and \$50,000,000 in Greek and Turkish aid for the fiscal year 1950.

The overall total of foreign spending is \$704,730,000 less than nationals of a third country.

The commission will give its verdict on treaty violations by a majority vote.

If the Anglo-American and satellite representatives do not agree on the appointment of the third commission member, the United Nations Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie, will make the appointment.—United Press.

DON IDDON'S DIARY

Nearing New York Again

We dock in New York at dawn. It has been one of the most pleasant crossings I have ever made, and you can call the ship the ss. Utopia for my money. She is a miniature Queen Mary 34,000 tons—and she cost the Cunard Company as much as the Mary herself because the Corona was built at post-war prices.

It has been more like a pleasure cruise in the Caribbean than an Atlantic crossing. The boat deck has been crowded with sunbathers ever since we left Southampton.

On Palm Terrace

The boys and girls have shown off their shapes in the open-air cream-tiled swimming pool. Passengers have sipped their champagne cocktails and Dry Martinis and Scotchies and sodas on the palm terrace off the dazzling mirrored bar.

This is a delightful way to earn one's living. Up at eight for a brisk walk on the promenade deck. Breakfast from a menu that offers limitless orange juice or grapefruit, eggs (two or three if you like), bacon, kippers, kidneys, liver, chops, butter for the tableland.

If there is an abundance of food in New York and huge helpings in the restaurants, then the same is true here. There is always meat—beef or lamb or pork or ham—at lunch. There is always fish—sole or plaice or haddock or lobster or crabmeat and often all of them at once.

Dinner is a feast and a banquet. Between meals there are chicken broth served on deck, tea, sandwiches, cake and fruit. There are cocktail parties every day, and sometimes you have to attend three within the space of an hour and a half.

This is an idle, extravagant, unreal life, and every soul aboard knows it.

The price of this pleasure is high. There are only two classes aboard the Corona, First and Cabin, and there's little to choose between the two. The fares are not much smaller than those in the Mary and Elizabeth. Cigarettes and drinks are cheap—1s. for 20 of the popular brands—2s. for a large whisky or cocktail.

Title Or Two

We are not a star-studded crowd—just a title or two—Lady Darnley, the Viscountess Monk, Lord and Lady Monson—but mostly it's plain Mr. and Mrs. and Junior. My steward tells me sorrowfully that there are only three millionaires on board.

Ninety per cent of the people who have made the trip are solid business types and their neatly dressed wives. Pretty girls are at a premium.

It has been a quiet, sober, early-to-bed voyage. Gin rummy and lemonade in the evening for many people, the ship's cinema in the afternoon and evening.

Incidentally, I want to know why the films shown each day have been American. This is a British ship, and a beautiful one. Then why no British films? Or, if you are worried about Anglo-American relations why not a British film every other day?

As usual on these trips I've spent a good deal of time with the ship's officers. Captain Grattidge, Staff Captain Counce—a brilliant anecdotalist—and Purser Newcombe have had me in for drinks and talk.

Captain Grattidge is a Diary reader, but when I first walked into his quarters he said: "I've

never been more surprised in my life. I thought you'd be a much older man—you know, tall and mature and well... ahem.... glad to meet you, anyway."

I'm Overweight

I had this sort of greeting many times during my holiday in England. Perhaps I write in an old way.

For the record let it be stated that I am 36, 5ft 8in., and weigh 160lb.—10lb. overweight.

The Captain is all for frankness and candour in any dealings between Britain and the United States.

"Tell the truth as you see it. Does that mean good. Americans don't mind speaking out about us. We shouldn't be reluctant to speak out about them. That's the way to get along together. I admire Americans intensely, and I'm sure you do."

I spent part of the voyage going through the letters sent to me while I was in England—a huge, unwieldy batch, difficult to handle without a secretary.

And here and now I want to apologise to Emile Littler, to Bertie Henly, to the English-Speaking Union (Liverpool Branch), to Keewick Rotary Club, and a whole group of people and organisations whose names I cannot list here because of space difficulties for not replying earlier to their generous invitations.

All my letters came in a bundle to the office, and this is the first chance I've had to sort them out.

No Embarrassment

Most of the letters were about my article on Britain. Most readers endorsed it. I would like to quote from the letters, but I would hate to cause anyone any embarrassment.

Seventy per cent of the letters were from housewives. There was one nasty note which I will quote. (Why shouldn't the readers write the Diary for a change?) It's from J. H. Rowlandson, of Brighton Road, Sutton, Surrey. He writes: "I have never read such distorted hunk in all my life—just a—awful," and a lot more in the same vein.

Well, you get that sort of thing. When I start pleasing everybody I will be finished. Incidentally, I will reply to every letter personally once I get myself organised in New York.

I think that's about all from the Corona. I've written this piece as a sort of letter to you, reporting progress.

The holiday in England was an enchantment from start to finish. The march towards recovery sounds through the world. The British are on their way, patiently, doggedly, unswervingly. There has never been such a come-back. You should be very proud of yourselves, I am.

U.S. PRODUCTION SHOWS DECLINE

Washington, May 27. American industrial production dropped in April for the fifth straight month.

The Federal Reserve Board said the decline was continuing in early May. April output measured on the seasonally adjusted index was 179 per cent of the 1935-39 average, compared with 184 in March, and a record high of 113 last October.

HARRIMAN TO SEE CRIPPS

Paris, May 26. Mr. Averell Harriman, the Marshall Plan Ambassador-at-Large, who is visiting London tomorrow to see Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, will seek to reconcile the Anglo-American difference of opinion on European trade recovery problems.

For several months, United States experts and observers at the meetings of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation have urged a broadening of the term of the intra-European payments agreement. They have met opposition from British experts.

Sir Stafford, who originally invited Mr. Harriman to London, is expected to endeavour to convince him that the American proposals are impracticable. The clash has arisen on purely technical ground, OEEC officials said today.

The American and European views on the ultimate objective are identical.

The devaluation of Sterling will not be discussed with Mr. Harriman, an authoritative source stated.

Funds Available

The existing intra-European payments agreement made available new funds with which European countries could buy what they needed from each other. It enabled them to use money earned by exports to one European country to pay for imports from a third or its overseas territories.

More than US\$800 million worth of goods have crossed frontiers as a result of this agreement, instead of lying unused in warehouses. Most European countries are satisfied with the agreement, and would be prepared to renew it on its present terms when it expires at the end of June, but American observers would like to use this occasion to go a step further.

Under the present system, for example, France has so-called drawing rights on Britain, but these sterling funds must be spent in buying goods in the sterling area.

The American suggestion would mean that France could use this British sterling to buy in any country, even in the dollar area, if goods were cheaper there.

Another American suggestion, put forward less forcibly, is that drawing rights should be converted into dollars. Belgium, for example, could use the sterling, to which she is entitled from Britain under the payments agreement, to buy goods in the United States. This would mean, in practice, that Britain's dollar deficit was being increased.—Reuter.

Indians To Insist In SA

London, May 26.

Mr. N. D. Naidoo, Durban business man who flew to the United Nations General Assembly at Lake Success to represent the South African Indian Congress, said here today that the Indians in South Africa would insist on the fullest observance of the United Nations Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights.

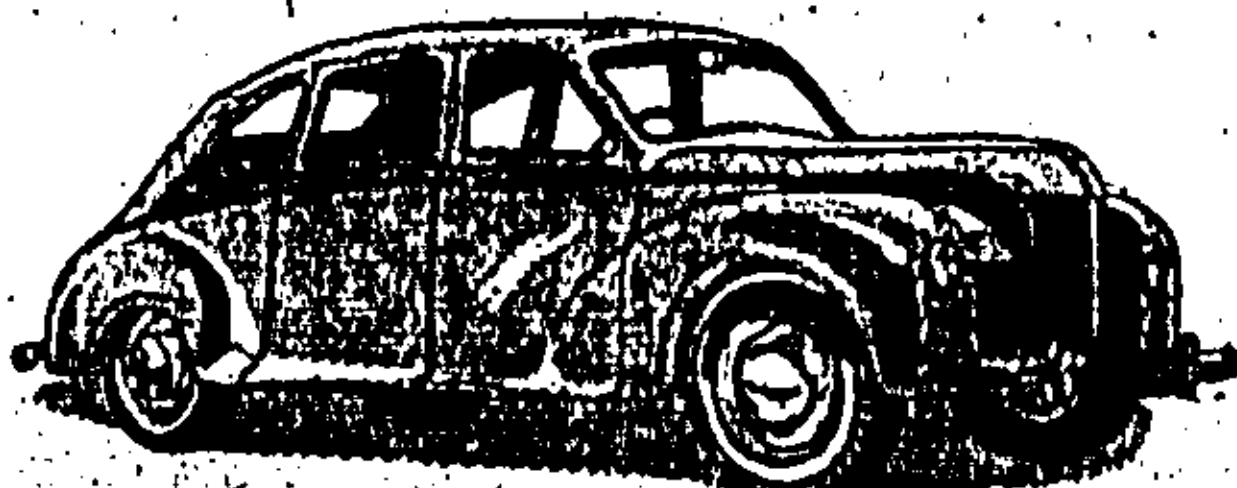
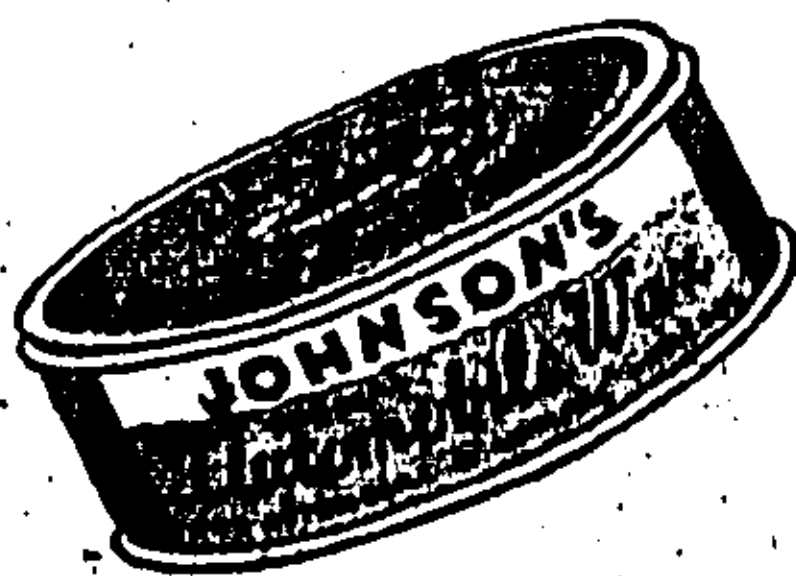
Referring to the General Assembly's decision to invite India, Pakistan and South Africa to hold a round-table conference on racial problems, Mr. Naidoo said: "I do not have to underline the urgent need for quick action as race relations in South Africa are deteriorating rapidly."

"It is quite clear that the responsibility rests with South Africa to show a readiness to make the necessary adjustment. India will be fortified in her stand by the full participation of Pakistan at the conference."—Reuter.

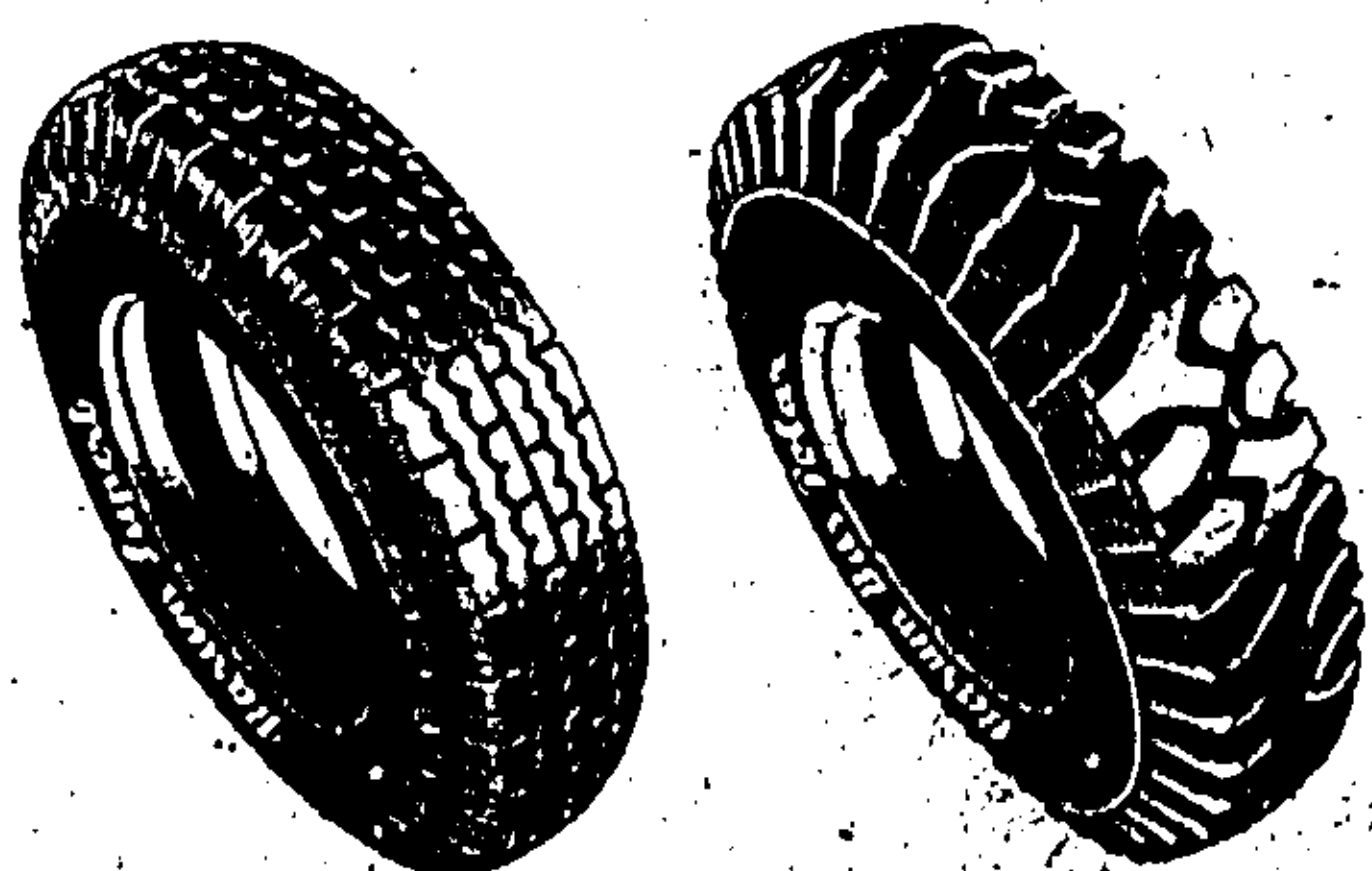
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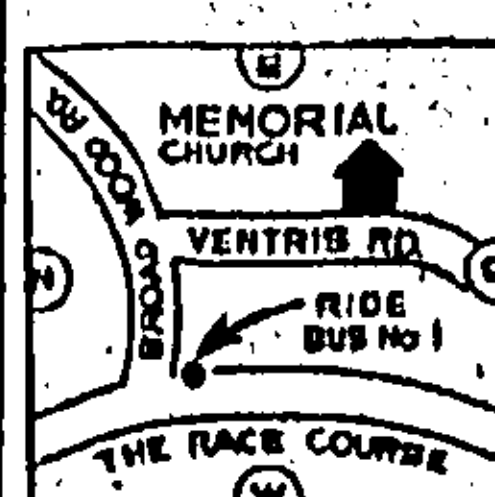
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JAPAN NOT AFFECTED BY CHINA SITUATION

Tokyo, May 26.

The fall of Shanghai and the steady Chinese Communist advances in China will have no immediate effect on Japan since General MacArthur has expected these developments on the Asia mainland for some time.

Naturally since China is Japan's close neighbour and the two nations normally have close economic ties, there is great interest here in the latest dramatic events there.

However, General MacArthur has been watching developments in China very closely and has taken these new situations into consideration in formulating a policy for Japan.

It has been felt here for some time that all or most of China will fall to the Chinese Communists and plans are made on that basis.

The biggest question in the minds of the Japanese today is whether or not Japan can trade with Red China. Reliable sources say that General MacArthur has recommended to Washington that trade be opened as soon as possible between Japan and Red China.

Most of the people here expect that there will eventually be trade between Japan and the Communists. There will probably be no great amount of official trade in the immediate future, but there is certain to be a great deal of smuggling across the narrow East China Sea be-

tween Japan and China. Under normal conditions, trade between the two countries would play a big role in the Japanese economy. The picture and lack of trade today has a big influence on the current Japanese recovery programme. While this intercourse is to be desired, General MacArthur is not counting on it.

Plans Made

While Japan needs things from China and needs to sell things to China, plans have been made to get along without that source of supply of raw materials and that market for finished Japanese goods. For finished goods, there is doubt as to whether Japan can stage an economic revival without trade with China and other areas on the Asiatic mainland now under Red control. General MacArthur's experts are trying to prove that Japan can get along without those traditional ties—for the time being at least. Only time can tell exactly

what effect the Communist victories in China will have on the Japanese political scene. It is definite, however, that the Chinese Red victories at the time of the Japanese national elections did contribute to the surprise gain in strength by the Japanese Communists.

Pro-Western Japanese insist that Japan will not go Communist just because China is falling under the rule of Red armies.

Traditional Spirit

They—and Americans here—are counting a great deal on the traditional anti-Communist spirit of the Japanese to keep "New Japan" out of the Red bloc.

Pro-Western Japanese point out that the occupation has given the Japanese masses many of the things that the Chinese Communists are promising. They say Japan does not need to go Communist to get labour unions, land reform, or a new constitution. They say Japan already enjoys the "prizes" that the Chinese Reds hold up to the Japanese people and therefore the Japanese need not run the risk of putting themselves under a Communist dictator and the risk of having newly-won freedoms abolished at a later date by the Reds after they get firmly in power.—United Press.

Trade Unions Defy TUC Advice

London, May 27.

Two large trade unions affiliated to the Trade Union Congress, TUC, defied yesterday official Congress advice to keep Communists out of key union jobs.

The Electrical Trades Union conference voted overwhelmingly against discrimination against any Trade Unionist on account of race, religion or political faith.

"This conference is convinced that the present Communist witchhunt is an attempt to split and weaken the Trade Union and labour movement," it declared.

Delegates to the Civil Service Clerical Association conference approved an earlier decision by its Executive to ignore the TUC recommendations against Communists.

The TUC is a voluntary association of separate unions totaling 8,000,000 members and is the backbone of the British Labour Party.

It cannot direct the policy of any particular Union but can advise them. The Labour government is following a policy of weeding Communists out of key government posts.

The Electrical Trades Union has 181,000 members and the Civil Service Clerical Association 18,000 lower paid civil servants.—Associated Press.



The veteran French state man Edouard Herriot (left) is assisted down the steps of the City Hall at Lyons, by President of France, Vincent Auriol (right), after a ceremony in which the President bestowed the Legion of Honour on the city.—AP Photo.

Burma Rebels Active Again; Tribesmen Ready For Guerillas

Rangoon, May 26.

Rebels have been active in the rear of advancing Burma Government forces on the Daiku front, an official communique said tonight.

Daiku, important railway town 75 miles North of Rangoon, was recently reoccupied by Government troops.

While insurgents attacked In-tagaw, nearly 50 miles to the rear of Daiku, other rebels blew up a bridge on the Rangoon-Mandalay Railway, only 23 miles North of the capital, the communique stated.

It did not specify to which group the insurgents belonged. Meeting up of Karen-held villages North of Daiku continued, the communique added.

Government troops attacked villages held by Karens and Communists in the Irrawaddy delta area, South West of Rangoon.

In Upper Burma it reported repeated insurgent onslaughts on the railway terminus of Yeu, West of Shwabo.

Insurgents straddling the Irrawaddy River, just North of Mandalay, cut off all river traffic to the Temple City, Burma Radio announced tonight.

In the Madaya and Singu areas, near Mandalay, insurgents had begun to collect taxes after arresting all Government servants, the Radio added.

Karens Massing
Karen insurgent hill tribesmen were massing around Nyaung-U, rail junction 93 miles North of Rangoon and had appointed two Moslems—Mr. Khan of Lashio, and Mr. Rahman of Nyaung-U—as officers of the Karen police, it said.

In the delta region, 200 Karens, heading North, had entered Maubin district, 40 miles South West of Rangoon, the Radio added.

In the Central Burma oilfield area fighting had broken out between two sections of the insurgents—the White Band members of the People's Volunteers Organisation and the Red Flag Communists.

Meanwhile confidence that the Chinese Communist guerrillas would not easily penetrate into Burma was expressed by Kachin Affairs Minister, Duwa Sinwa Nawang, today.

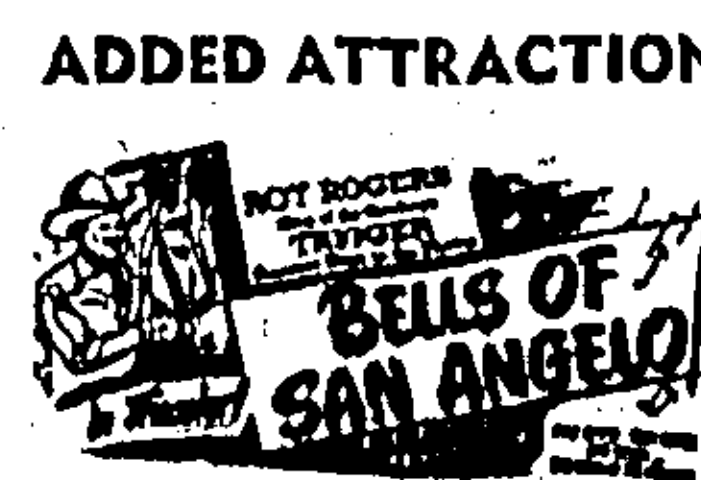
The Kachin tribesmen barring their way on a 2,000-mile stretch had antiquated weapons but the people were great fighters and were united by strong tribal bonds with a large Kachin population in the border areas of China, he added.

The Minister estimated that there were about 10,000 Communists and other guerrillas on the Burma-China border. He said: "I strongly believe that with Commonwealth aid we shall not only be able to restore order speedily in Burma, but effectively to guard our frontier."

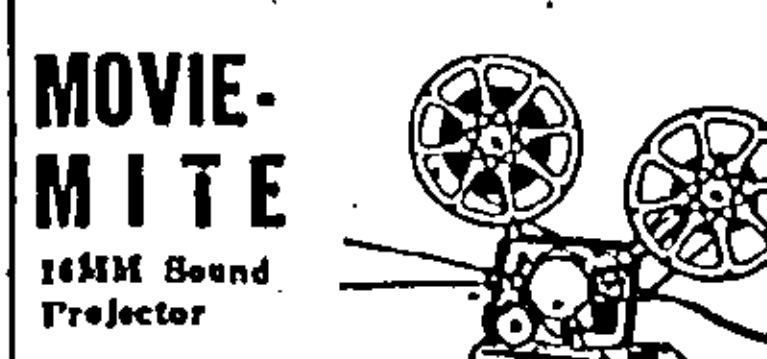
He said that 3,000 Kachin tribesmen had already been moved into the fighting areas, adding that 20,000 Karens were waiting to be armed and equipped in the Kachin hills. Besides this, the recruitment of four battalions of Gurkhas born in the Kachin State was contemplated, he added.—Reuter.



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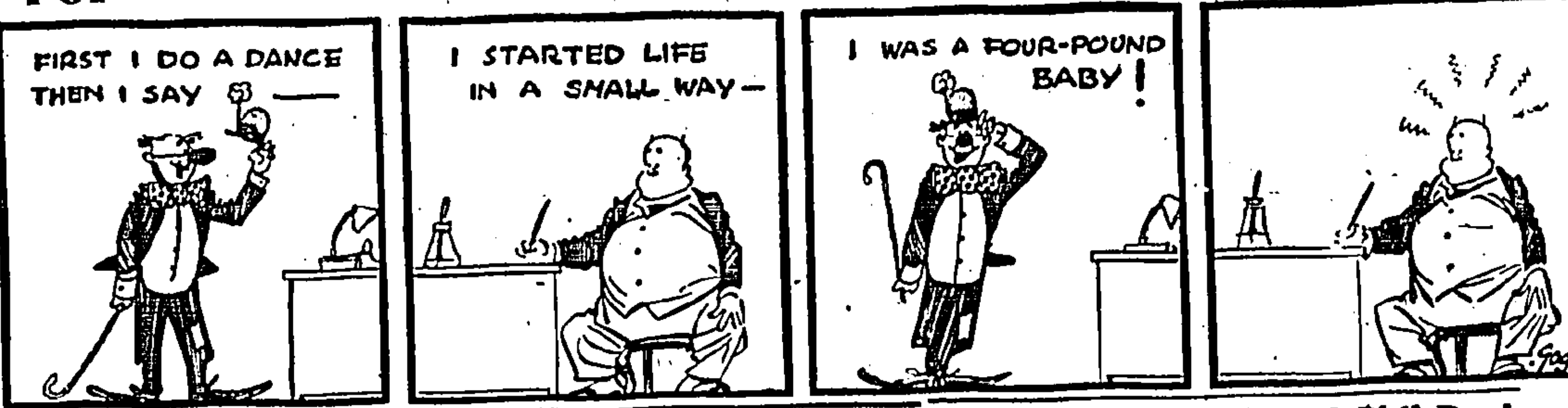
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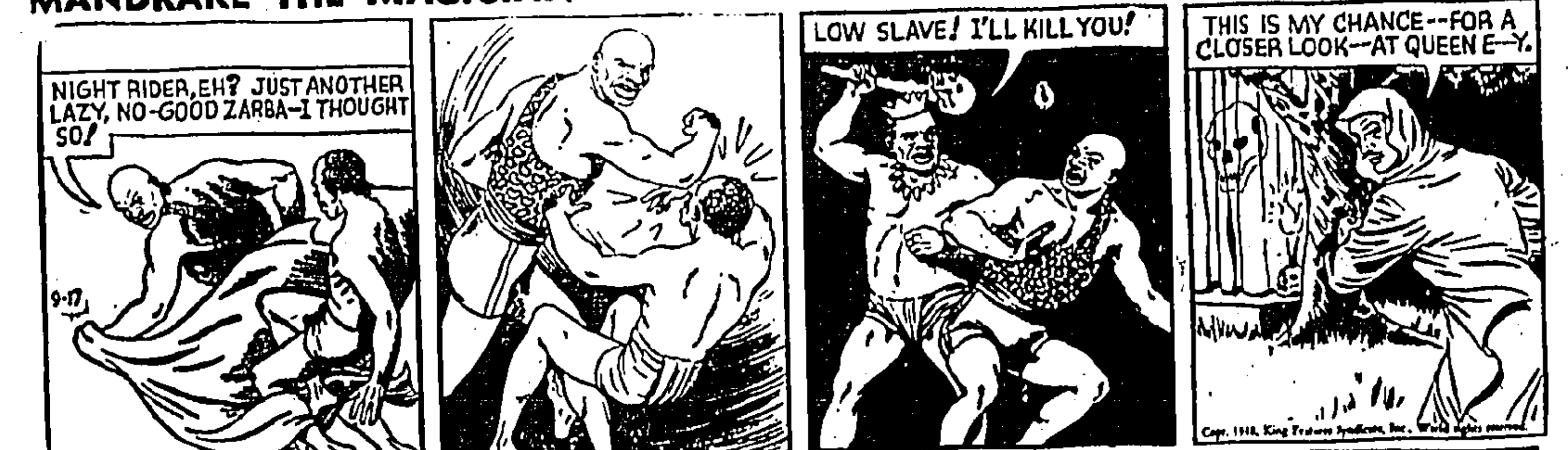
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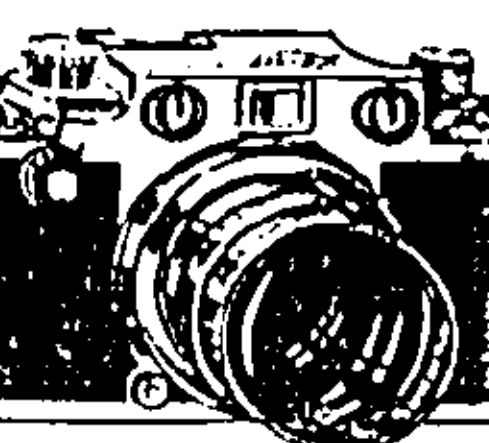
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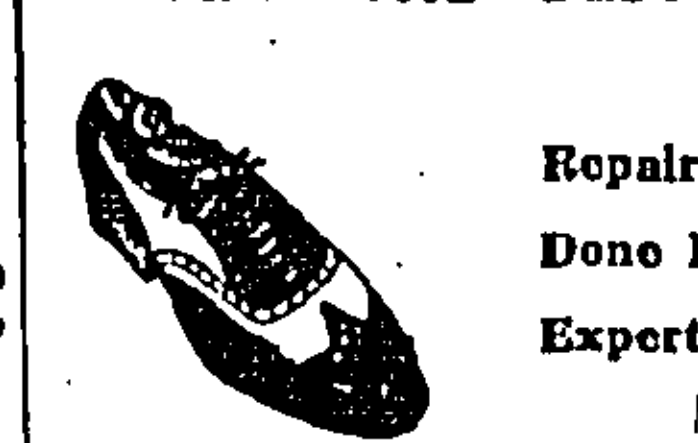
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The almost encouraging news from Shanghai is, of course, having a material effect on sentiment here, especially on Shanghai Stocks which have much improved.

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Reds' China Victory To Affect European Trade And Recovery

Washington, May 26.

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New York Stock Exchange

New York, May 27.

The stock market started off strongly yesterday but demand petered out and the day closed with prices narrowly mixed. Volume dwindled to 700,000 shares. Of 935 issues traded, 303 advanced and 250 declined.

Rubbers, chain storer, coppers and distilleries were higher. Western Union dropped 1/2 to 13 1/2, low for the year. U.S. Steel, old stock, also sank to a new low.

Dow Jones Averages:
 Stocks 62.15
 20 Industrials 171.03
 15 RAIL 48.57

10 Utilities 55.55
 Closing Quotations:
 Allama Express 18 1/2
 Alaska Petroleum 5 1/2
 American Can 9 1/2
 American Smelting 4 1/2
 American Telephone 14 1/2
 American Tobacco 10 1/2
 American Waterworks 1 1/2
 Anaconda Copper 2 1/2
 Aviation Corp. 6
 Baldwin Locomotive 9 1/2
 Burdick 4 1/2
 Bendix Aviation 29 1/2
 Bethlehem Steel 20 1/2
 Boeing Aircraft 20 1/2
 Boyden Co. 4 1/2
 Canadian Pacific 12 1/2
 J. I. Case 3 1/2
 Chrysler 49 1/2
 Colgate 4 1/2
 Commercial Solvents 19 1/2
 Corn Products 62 1/2
 Du Pont 18 1/2
 Eastman Kodak 41 1/2
 Electric Light & Power 28 1/2
 General Electric 30 1/2
 General Motors 50 1/2
 Goodyear 40 1/2
 Goodyear Tire 40 1/2
 Homestead Mining 40 1/2
 International Harvester 28 1/2
 International Paper 40 1/2
 International Tel. & Tel. 9 1/2
 Johns-Manville 35 1/2
 Kennecott Copper 40 1/2
 Montgomery Ward 6 1/2
 National Distillers 17 1/2
 National Lead 20 1/2
 New York Central 11 1/2
 Packard Motors 3 1/2
 Pan American Airways 9 1/2
 Pennsylvania RR 10 1/2
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 Real Silk 11 1/2
 Remington Rand 8 1/2
 Republic Steel 20 1/2
 Sears Roebuck 18 1/2
 Shell Oil 34 1/2
 Socony Vacuum 15 1/2
 Southern Railway 40 1/2
 Standard Brands 18 1/2
 Standard Oil of Calif. 6 1/2
 Standard Oil of N.J. 60 1/2
 Studebaker 19 1/2
 Sunbeam 24 1/2
 Sun Chemical 27 1/2
 U.S. Rubber 17 1/2
 U.S. Steel 13 1/2
 U.S. Steel 13 1/2
 Westinghouse 31 1/2
 Youngstown Sheet & Tube 41 1/2
 Gen. Pub. Utilities 13 1/2
 Corporate bonds tended lower. Lower on the curb were Consolidated Mining, Fairchild Engine, Cites Service and Barium Steel. Kaiser Fraxer was higher.

Associated Press.

TRADE TREATY EXTENDED

Stockholm, May 25.
 The Swedish Foreign Office today announced that agreement had been reached to prolong the Swedish-Turkish payments and exchange agreement until June 15, 1950.

The agreement was negotiated in Ankara.—United Press.

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CCC'S BATHING SHED

The Craignower Cricket Club has acquired a Bathing Shed at South Bay Beach and the official opening ceremony will take place at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

The Bathing Shed is located in the front row, being the first on the right hand side when facing the sun, has the YWCA shed on the left and commands an excellent panoramic view of the whole beach.

Messrs. L. C. R. Souza, Li Shu-wing and Dr. N. P. Karanjia are the officials in charge.

It has been decided to charge a married member and his own family who wish to join for the season the sum of \$20, payable in advance. Bachelor members will be charged the sum of \$10 for the season.

As the Club has provided this extra amenity at no small expense, the Committee look forward to the whole-hearted support of members.

TO REPRESENT CIVILIANS

The following will represent the Civilians versus the Royal Air Force in the Quadrangular Hockey Tournament game to be played on the Navy No. 1 Ground, King's Park at 10 a.m. tomorrow:

Backs: Nery (Oxford) and Van Der Voort (Dutch).
Forwards: J. Souza (Oxford), Kane (Oxford), E. Fowler (Oxford), P. Rull (Oxford) and B. Xie (Oxford).

Referee: G. S. Gannon (Oxford).
A.M. Alves (Oxford), G.W.P. Guest (Oxford) and R. Marquis (Oxford).

Colours: White. Those who are unable to play are requested to communicate with Mr. A.P. Guest, Tel: 21260, Box: 6292.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB

Opening

Night Foto

Tonight at 9.30 p.m.

Oxford, May 27.
Oxford University were deserved victors over the New Zealanders by 83 runs today in a remarkable match here. Losing Reid to the first ball of the day from Wrigley, the New Zealanders never recovered and suffered their first defeat of the tour.

Donnelly and the injured Wallace battled valiantly in an eighth wicket stand of 49 but in an hour and a half, the New Zealanders, who began needing 165 more to win, lost the second half of their side for 81.

On a pitch considerably drier than on Thursday when batsmen had to defend themselves from flying balls, Wrigley, the former Harrow medium-fast bowler, proved more effective than the taller Whitcombe and finished with the match figures of eight for 48.

Again both bowlers were indebted to their colleagues for brilliant catches. Kardar in particular, with two he held off fierce slashes to gully.

Wallace once more showed his pluck by defying the Oxford attack on a still awkward pitch for 80 minutes. Some of his strokes did not go where intended, but seeing that he was handicapped by a painful thumb, he did extremely well. As long as Donnelly stayed with Wallace, the New Zealanders possessed a chance of bringing off a win.

Donnelly made several characteristic strokes, but Kardar, the Indian Test left-arm spinner, beat him with a very good ball at 113 and when Wallace put a ball into the slip's hands at 126, the game was virtually over.

Without a run added, Smith fell in the gully and the University supporters swarmed on to the ground to acclaim the dark blues.

The New Zealanders are not dispirited by their first defeat. In fact, their captain said after the game "It was a most interesting experience. Many of our men had never encountered this type of pitch."

Thursday's Play

Oxford, May 26.
The New Zealanders, playing Oxford University here, faced their first defeat of the tour. After a day of amazing cricket on a pitch drying after the rain, the tourists finished with half their second innings wickets down for 45 and still requiring 165 runs. New Zealand and Oxford in turn were out for their lowest scores of the season—New Zealand 110 and Oxford 72—and rarely have so many brilliant catches been seen in a day's play. Again, the New Zealand all-rounder, held five at slip.

Alert Fielders

Oxford were indebted to their medium fast bowlers Wrigley

and Whitcombe and very alert fielders.
Of the remaining seven first innings wickets, which the visitors lost for 43 runs in the opening 80 minutes, the 24-year-old Wrigley captured four for 15 and Whitcombe three for 24.
Wallace alone defied the Oxford attack, but during his stay of two and a half hours he was struck twice on the right thumb, which he broke on the 1937 tour. He did not field and may not bat. Oxford, 137 runs ahead on the first innings, failed in turn.

Clever Slip Catches

Hofmeyr and Law fell to clever slip catches, and the difficulties of Oxford's batsmen were added to by a blustery wind. Burt got in a lot of work with his left arm spinners on the drying pitch, and the fast bowlers were still able to make the ball tear nastily. Winn played another praiseworthy innings, but none of the other batsmen looked comfortable. Half the side were out for 41 and at tea eight wickets were down for 72.

The close of play scoreboard read:

Oxford University, 1st innings	247
2nd "	72
New Zealand, 1st Innings	110
2nd Innings	72
Scott, c. Wiley, b. Whitcombe	4
Habone, c. Van Ryneveld,	4
Chesleron	10
Burt, c. Kardar, b. Whitcombe	10
Hadlee, b. Whitcombe	21
Mooney, b. Kardar	9
Reid, c. Kardar, b. Wrigley	4
Cave, lbw, b. Wrigley	9
Wallace, c. Whitcombe, b. Wrigley	37
Donnelly, b. Kardar	32
Smith, c. Kardar, b. Whitcombe	0
Hayes, out	0
Extras	4
Total	128

—Reuter.

N.Z. Soccer Team May Visit Colony

Hong Kong will in all probability have an opportunity of seeing a team of New Zealand soccerites in action here in October or November next.

This information was divulged at a Council Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association yesterday, when Mr. H. K. Lee announced that Mr. Jack Skinner had received a letter on the subject.

Mr. Lee added that the New Zealand Football Association would undoubtedly be submitting an application to the Hong Kong Football Association in due course.

The meeting called yesterday was for the purpose of considering the application of the South China Athletic Association to join the HKFA.

As the application of South China was not received before March 31, the date laid down in Rule 18 of the Rules of the Association, the Council was unable to sanction the application.

It was, however, eventually decided to call an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association to consider an alteration to Rule 18. This Extraordinary General Meeting will be held next week.

Macao Trip Off

The Council also refused to accord sanction for South China's proposed visit to Macao this week-end for the same reason, namely, that application for the visit was not received before March 31.

An invitation from the Korean Football Association, inviting a team of Hong Kong soccerites for a series of four games in Seoul in the middle of June, was also read to the meeting.

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Riots Break Out In Istanbul

Istanbul, May 27.

Violent rioting broke out in the centre of Istanbul's European district last night in the wake of a huge demonstration protesting against Turkey's loss of a football match in the Mediterranean Cup competition in Athens last Friday.

A mob numbering thousands marched from Inonu Stadium through Maxim Circle down the Rue de Pera, Istanbul's great shopping district, and literally threw itself against a company of mounted police and swarms of gendarmes and foot police.

Precisely where they intended to go was not clear, but it may have been the Greek Consulate or the Hellenic Sporting Club. Frenzied students and sports lovers waving flags and placards harshly anti-Greek fell back under the first charge of the police. Their leaders tried to pacify them and help them disband, but wild howling cut them off. They charged again and again.

Some more got through, but in general the police held firm. After nearly an hour of argument between the mob leaders and police spokesmen, the crowd agreed to march in an orderly manner out of the centre of the town.

A police barricade was set up at a street which crosses the Rue de Pera where it turns down to the Greek Consulate. Injuries appeared to be few, but tempers were high even as the mob marched away still cordoned by mounted police. The outburst followed a peaceful demonstration at the Inonu Stadium where 20,000 cheered wildly the national soccer team which arrived losers from Athens, and cried derisively at the Greeks and Italians.

Protest Meeting

A protest meeting was arranged by student leaders to voice criticism of what they and the newspapers have termed unfriendly treatment given the Turkish team during the Mediterranean Cup matches and particularly the victory of the Italians over the Turks in the crucial game last Friday.

Not since the close of the Greco-Turkish war has Istanbul felt such a violent anti-Greek atmosphere and many thinking Turks were dumfounded that such reaction could stem from a soccer game.

On placard showing President Ismet Inonu shaking hands with the late Eleutherios Venizelos. Around its frame was a black shroud representing the break-

Respect And Good Behaviour

Another placard said that American aid should supply Greece with "respect and good behaviour also."

And another, "Even if you throw yourselves from theropolis you would not be able to defeat your masters of 500 years."

Suphi Baykan, President of the Turkish National Students' Association, declared that the Greeks preferred the Italian "macaroni eaters to us."

He added, "But as their former masters we recommend them not to do so," and the crowd yelled approval.

Similar demonstrations were held at Ankara and Izmit, but no reports of violence were received.—Associated Press.

VRC PREPARES FOR BIG EVENT

The first Inter-members' Swimming Gala of the Victoria Recreation Club will be held on Friday, June 10, with heats on Wednesday, June 8.

The four teams drawn for the Inter-members' League are as given below. The teams include ladies as well as boys and competitions between these teams will be held monthly throughout the season.

Men's Section:

BROWNS

G. Roza-Pereira (Capt.) A. V. Lopes, C. Randall, E. L. da Costa, Armando Marques, R. Souza, R. R. Remedios, A. K. Baker, W. B. Golding.

GREENS

J. Yvanovich (Capt.) J. Gomes A. K. Rumjahn, S. E. Carvalho, E. C. Tavares, R. Thompson, R. Pires, P. Thompson, D. Rodrigues.

BLUES

W. Lawrence (Capt.) G. Saunders, S. Miltford, L. E. Gutierrez, Marques, I. Erikson, L. H. Gutierrez, E. M. Petrov, M. A. Saydan.

WHITES

F. Monteiro (Capt.) C. Gutierrez, E. Guest, D. Colloco, H. Reynolds, E. Ho, R. M. Bucks, M. Rozd, R. Silva.

Water-Polo

BROWNS

J. Hussain and G. Kew.

GREENS

L. A. Benn and R. Sales.

BLUES

H. Winglee and A. D. Brown.

WHITES

P. R. Rasmussen and V. A. Yvanovich.

Ladies Section:

BROWNS

C. Eager, Nickle Penultima, Barbara Osmund, Ena Roza-Pereira.

GREENS

S. Andersen, Francis Silva, Milly Ozorio, Margaret Fletcher.

BLUES

J. Eager, June Lee, Wanda Rodrigues, Pat Sullivan.

WHITES

H. Anderson, C. Gutierrez, Barbara Lee, Valerie J. J. J.

Boys' Section:

BROWNS

George Noronha, G. Marshall, Alvaro Alonco, Gerry Noronha, D. Osmund, A. Tavares, J. Alonco.

GREENS

Manuel Gutierrez, Tony Basto, Daniel Castro, H. Castro, Jojo Basto, R. Ardy, B. Silva.

BLUES

Antonio Gutierrez, John Rocha, Sonny Gutierrez, A. Souza, R. Noronha, J. Luz, F. Barnes.

WHITES

Frankie Xavier, M. Sargison, J. Monteiro, Robert Xavier, F. Gomes, C. Noronha, J. Ribeiro.

—Associated Press.

RAIN INTERFERES WITH COUNTY CRICKET GAMES

London, May 26.

Rain interfered with today's County cricket matches and at Lord's and The Oval not a ball could be bowled.

Highlight of the day was the splendid bowling of Roland Jenkins, Worcestershire leg break and googly bowler, who greatly enhanced his claims for a place in the England team this summer.

Brought into the attack after Lancashire's opener had scored 84 he finished with his best figures in Championship cricket—23 overs, three maidens, 38 runs, seven wickets. Largely due to his efforts Lancashire were forced to follow on, and at the close of play they needed 154 runs to save an innings defeat with nine wickets remaining.

A two-hour stoppage through rain at Leeds prevented Yorkshire forcing home their advantage against Essex. A feature of the play here was two hours of superb batting by Brian Close, followed by five for 58 in the Essex first innings by a display of powerful driving and vigorous pulling, reminiscent of Maurice Leyland at his best. Close hit one huge six, which made a hole in the roof of the main stand and also obtained 12 fours in his 88 not out.

Northamptonshire, after gaining a first innings lead of 109, completed a good day's work by capturing two Kent wickets in the last quarter of an hour for eight runs. Northamptonshire's Barron completed his first century of the season, which contained 12 boundary strokes.

At Lord's: No play today owing to rain. Middlesex declared at overnight total of 322 for 9.

At The Oval: No play today. Surrey 407; Derbyshire 26 for 4.

At Cambridge: Warwickshire 217 and 32 for 1. Cambridge University 282 (Insole 128 not out).

At Northampton: Kent 222 and eight for two; Northants 331 for 9 declared.

At Leeds: Essex 174 and 165 for 3; Yorkshire 346 for 9 declared.

At Worcester: Lancashire 169 and four for one; Worcestershire total not received.—Reuter.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

OLD COURSE

SUNDAY, MAY 29.

9.04	L. C. Saville—D. Hung.
9.36	G. G. D. Carter—K. C. Eu.
9.40	D. A. O. Davies—C. H. T. Suen.
9.44	D. S. Robb—F. D. Hunter.
9.46	A. E. Lissman—W. O. Davies.
9.52	R. D. Bell—P. F. F. Watkinson.
9.56	J. B. Hawthorn—K. A. Miller.
10.00	S. S. Gordon—R. S. Barry.
10.08	R. E. Bailey—J. L. McIntyre.
10.16	P. N. Slater—G. B. Gibbon.

Add H.K. Stock Exchange

Next Fight Card Being Planned

The sponsors of the Golden Gloves will be staging their next fight card at the China Float Club Theatre about the middle of June 1949.

A very attractive programme is being drawn up and fight fans will be witnessing the best local talents pitted against top selections from the Services.

Ramsay Bucks the fighting whirlwind will be seen in action, donning the Golden Gloves colours and will star in the main event of six rounds. Arrangements are being made to match Bucks with LSA Chanter, the recent lightweight Champion of the Combined Services. Chanter, without doubt, is the best boxer in the Royal Navy now and his records show him to be a 'KO' artist. This match will decide (unofficially) whether Bucks or Chanter will wear the crown for the Lightweight title of the Colony.

Rocky has improved tremendously and is determined to be the top dog in the Middleweight ranks. Reynolds is a classy fighter and very popular among fight fans. He has not lost a fight and no matter who his opponent is, he can be relied to give a good show.

The much talked about and awaited return bout between Mike Barrago, the pride of the Buffs, against Gunner Trant, the middleweight Champion of the Combined Services, will be coming off and this time the distance will be six rounds.

Reverse The Decision. Barrago's supporters are dead sure Barrago will out-box Trant this time and reverse the decision of last time. Trant is in hard training and is confident of himself.

Speedy Morales, the local flyweight contender, will be seen in a spirited two fisted fight against Private MacGregor, the Buffs, Champion and Services Champion. This fight will be the best as both the lads are very fast and scientific and worth watching.

Alfred Mallig will be matched against Gunner Gandy. Both lads are evenly matched and should provide a battle royal.

Any Shanghai boxers who are interested in the Golden Gloves Tournament are requested to contact the promoter at P.O. Box No. 1804 Kowloon.

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